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Mercy, Munson talk about possible affiliation together

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Mercy Health Services North and Munson Healthcare have been working together in some services, and now preliminary talks have started to work even more closely together.

Grayling Mercy Hospital and Cadillac Mercy Hospital have entered into preliminary discussions with Munson Medical Center of Traverse City to explore potential patient-care and financial opportunities for both health care organizations.

Mary Jo Conway, director of community relations at Grayling Mercy Hospital, said the overall goal of the preliminary discussions is to improve the care that is available to area residents and to support physicians.

"How the two organizations can work more closely together to preserve access to local health care and better serve patients in northern Michigan remains the focus of the talks," said Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, chief operating officer at Mercy Hospital. "We are now exploring ways to create greater efficiencies in the face of increasing financial pressure."

Mercy and Munson have a history of cooperative efforts including teleconferencing, mobile imaging and cardiac catheterization services at both the Grayling and Cadillac hospitals.

In addition, physicians at both Mercy and Munson have been striving to work together to provide the best possible care for patients in northern Michigan.

Both physicians and hospital administrators are involved in the talks.

The talks the proposed affiliation started with the Mercy Hospital strategic plan. Conway said that Mercy undertook the process of a strategic-planning effort about a year ago. During the strategic plan discussions, some initiations were started for the next three to five years.

"One of the initiations was for both Cadillac and Grayling hospitals to identify with a larger organization that provides the care that is not provided locally."

— Mary Jo Conway,
Community Relations
Director at Grayling
Mercy Hospital

The discussions are in the preliminary stage and any outcome will require extensive review by the governing boards and medical staffs of both institutions.

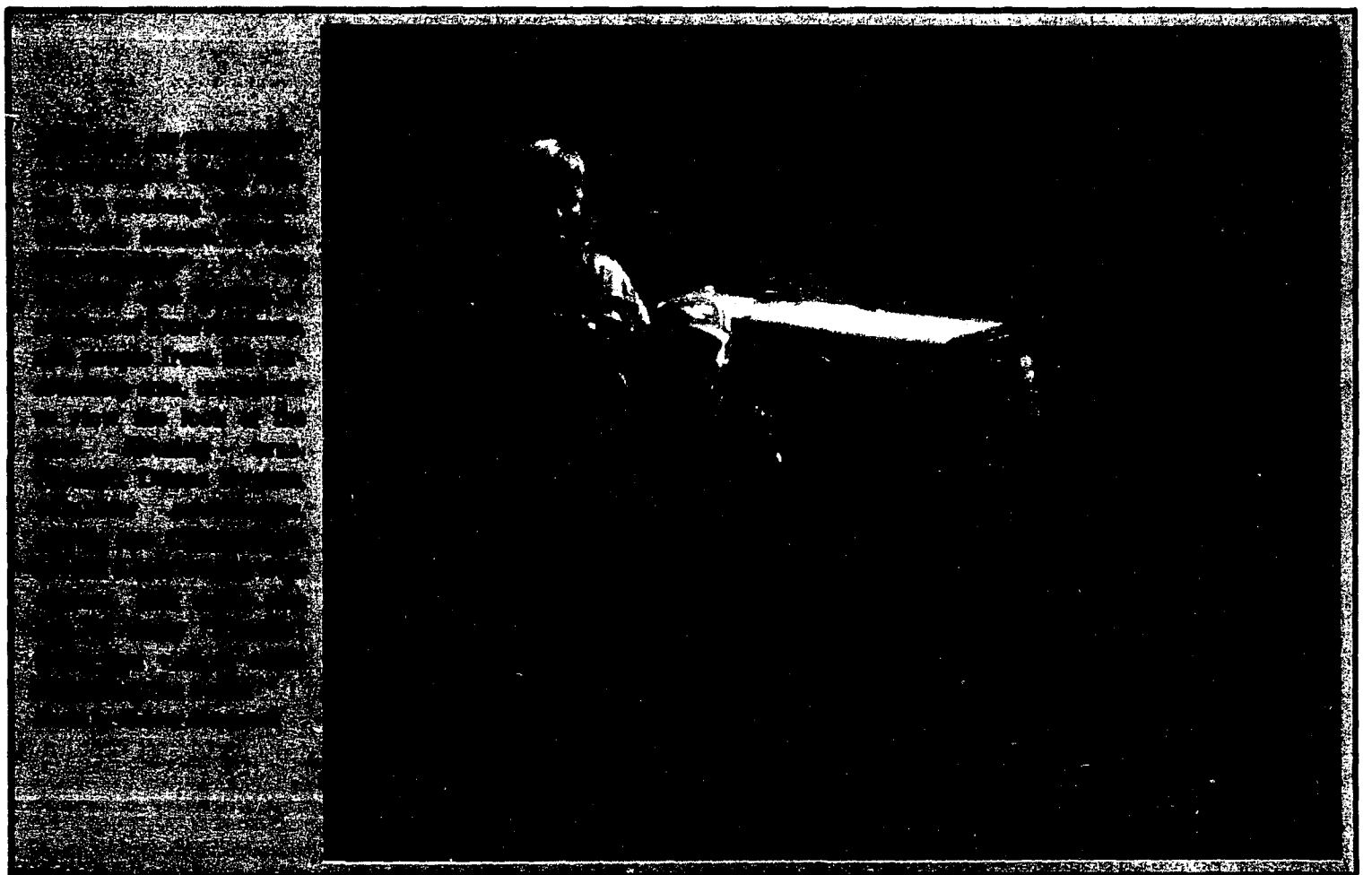
"At this point it's too soon to know the outcomes of these discussions and what the future relationship of the two organizations will be," Riemer-Matuzak said.

This proposed affiliation with

Munson, although it is a larger hospital organization, does not mean Mercy would lose its local presence and appeal in Grayling or Cadillac.

"Mercy is committed to maintain its assets and have its presence in this local community," Conway said. "We can still have a local presence and still be affiliated (with a larger hospital)."

In addition to having cooperative efforts with Munson, Mercy has worked with other large hospitals from areas in central and southern Michigan. "We've talked with officials from Munson and plan to talk with others," Conway added.



Oct. 6 community meeting to help school board find solutions to GHS needs

Parents, students, employees and other community members are all invited to take part in the discussion process of solving the Grayling High School facility needs, that have been identified by Crawford AuSable School District officials.

The Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education has scheduled a special meeting for Monday, Oct. 6, to listen to possible solutions to the high school infrastructure needs. This meeting, focusing on community input with the school board members, will take place at the Grayling High School media center and will run from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

The board members made the decision to hold this special public meeting during their September board meeting. The members' idea is to listen to community members' input and concerns before making any final decisions in regard to the facility's needs.

Decisions on the issue could be made at the school board's Oct. 20 regular meeting, taking into account the information gathered at the Oct. 6 special meeting. Final decisions regarding the format for a request for proposals to be sent to potential architectural and construction management firms may be made at the Oct. 20 meeting.

The determined solutions for the

high school infrastructure needs could result in a bond election next year.

The infrastructure needs have been discussed by Crawford

AuSable School District officials since the early spring of this year. Over that time, the critical needs identified included replacement of the heating, ventilating and air condition system, roof replacement and six to eight additional classrooms. The needs falling just under the critical needs (high priority needs) identified included the major renovation of existing classroom and media space, a new cafeteria and kitchen, auditorium expansion and renovation, window replacement, and gymnasium expansion and addition. Other high priority needs have been identified by officials.

A brief presentation of these needs will be made by Crawford AuSable Superintendent Kent Reynolds at the start of the Oct. 6 special meeting. Then, those parents, students, employees and other community members will be divided into small discussion groups. Members of the board of education will lead discussion in each group. The school board members will report the suggestions and opinions from each smaller group to the full group near the end of the meeting.

Special Meeting:

Monday,
Oct. 6
at high school
media center
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Public is
encouraged to
attend

Results prove new curriculum affects scores

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) results were released at the Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education meeting in September. The results showed that a good percentage of local students are proficient in certain areas, while other results for certain subjects showed a less-proficient status.

According to school officials, there is hope and encouragement gathered from the MEAP results. The results prove that areas where certain subject curriculum has been aligned with the MEAP test, and has been in place for a few years, conclude with a greater percentage of proficient students. It also proves that the areas where the curriculum has not been aligned, yet concludes with lower numbers of proficient students.

"You can see where the curriculum has been aligned with the MEAP for three years," Superintendent Kent

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Grade 8 Writing and Science

Year	1997
Graduation Year	2001
Writing	75.0
State Ave Writing	77.0
Science	14.4
State Ave Science	17.5

Grade 7 Math and Reading

Year	1996
Graduation Year	2002
Math	58.4
State Ave Math	51.4
Reading	26.4
State Ave Reading	40.4

Grade 5 Writing and Science

Year	1997
Graduation Year	2004
Fred El Writing	17.9
Gray El Writing	72.3
Dist Ave Writing	62.7
State Ave Writing	73.4
Fred El Science	17.2
Gray El Science	10.4
Dist Ave Science	11.6
State Ave Science	36.8

Grade 4 Math and Reading

Year	1996
Graduation Year	2005
Fred El Math	30.0
Gray El Math	55.5
Dist Ave Math	52.4
State Ave Math	60.5
Fred El Reading	20.0
Gray El Reading	35.6
Dist Ave Reading	33.7
State Ave Reading	49.0

City receives money from county for recycling

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Crawford County Commissioner Dennis Long attended Monday (Sept. 29) night's Grayling City Council bearing gifts.

The District 1 commissioner, who represents the City of Grayling residents on the county board of commissioners, presented nearly \$8,000 to the city for recycling purposes.

Each of the townships in Crawford County also will be receiving money from the county for recycling purposes. The exact figure for each municipality varies, as the funds are determined by population.

Long told the city council members that the money comes from part of the settlement, involving some litigation that occurred with the sale of the landfill.

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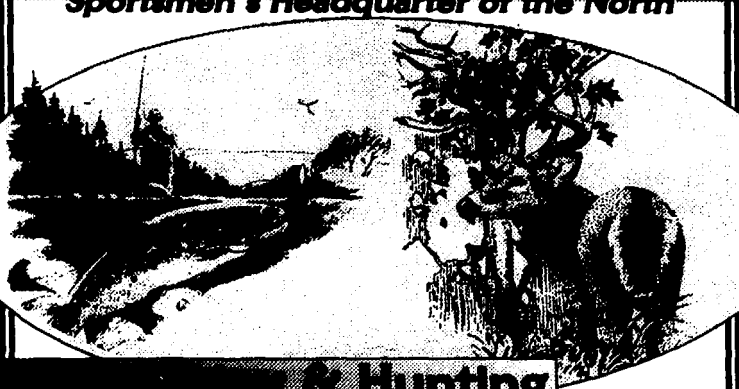
COUNTY DONATION -- Crawford County Commissioner Dennis Long presents Grayling Mayor Robert Golnick with a check for recycling purposes.

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Weekly Update

Bow hunting season again already?? October 1st is it, the bow hunters are arriving in force. This is a great time of year, with good color all over northern Michigan. If you have an occasion to travel north, this can be very enjoyable now. Saturday, October 4, will be opening day for Michigan waterfowl season, although it may be a little early, they say there are some ducks around. So, if you are a duck hunter, don't forget to get out and try your luck!! The bird hunters are seeing a lot of grouse and some woodcock. This will get better as the leaves fall and the ferns die out.

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Unemployment dips in county, region

The northern Lower Peninsula as a region, and Crawford County as a specific area, both saw a decrease in their respective areas in the unemployment rates for the month of August.

Crawford County's rate dropped by only 0.1 of a percentage point to 4.8 percent. It was a larger decrease, when compared to August of 1996. Last year's rate for Crawford County in August was 5.3, which is 0.5 of a percentage point higher than this year's figure.

The county had a civilian labor force of 5,500 for August, with 5,250 of the force employed.

The northern Lower Peninsula's unemployment rate in August was 4.2 percent, which was 0.8 of a percentage point lower than the rate posted in July for the area. The figure for the region this year also was 1.3 percentage points lower than the 5.5 percent rate for August 1996.

Over the month, wage and salary

employment increased by 2,000 jobs. The greatest job gains took place in manufacturing, as automotive suppliers recalled staff after July model-year changeover re-tooling, and additional growth occurred at area food processors, as the cherry harvest was in full bloom.

Slight improvements were also noted in private services and retail trade, as the summer tourism season continued into August.

Monthly reductions in employment in the region were minimal, with the largest being transportation as the effects of the national United Postal Service strike were felt locally. Scattered losses in both durable

and non-durable goods manufacturing were more than offset by the returning automotive-related workers mentioned previously above.

Compared with a year ago, wage and salary employment in the region has grown by 4,350 jobs or 2.3 percentage points. Over the year job growth in retail trade was the greatest, with 2,025 new positions posted, which was a gain of 4.2 percent.

Private services had the second highest increase in additional jobs, with employment growing by 1,875 people or 3.8 percent. Construction continued to improve, with a gain of 625 jobs or 5.1 percent.

Declines in both durable and non-

durable goods sectors in the northern Lower Peninsula region offset growth, giving employment in manufacturing a net loss over the year of 350 jobs or 1.1 percent. Government jobs were also off slightly over the year, with reductions occurring at federal, state and local levels.

August's regional unemployment rate compares unfavorably with the Michigan rate of 3.4 percent, but favorably with the national rate of 4.8 percent.

The highest rate in the northern Lower Peninsula during August was recorded in Wexford County at 7.9 percent, while the lowest rate was in Leelanau County at 2.3 percent.

County to reestablish committee to develop solid waste plan

The Solid Waste Committee in Crawford County will be brought back together, after being somewhat inactive for quite some time.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners recently approved the go-ahead to reestablish the committee to draw up a Crawford County

Solid Waste Plan. Crawford County Chairman Bruce Bretzke pointed out that the committee had "died in abeyance," following the stipulated court settlement involving the landfill.

The commissioners' motion also stated that correspondence would be

forwarded to past committee members, inquiring if they are interested in continuing to serve on the solid waste committee. The committee is to include representatives of Crawford County, City of Grayling and township government. There also are to be representatives of the solid waste industry and area environmental groups. Crawford County residents are to be a part of the committee, as well as Crawford County Environmental Officer Pat Merrill.

The first and foremost responsibility of the Solid Waste Committee is to update the county's solid waste plan. The State of Michigan regulates that each county have its own solid waste plan. Merrill said the purpose of the committee members is to provide the specific information for the county. The state provides a form, and the committee will go through the form and fill-in the details for Crawford County.

"If we don't do it individually as a county," Merrill said, "then the state would do it for us. They would provide a 'one-size-fits-all' plan, and we would lose all local control."

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St. Francis of Grayling to host ancient rite

Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

The Blessing of the Animals is a special day set aside to honor the man who is still considered to be one of the most lovable saints the Christian church has ever known. For more than 800 years, the memory of St. Francis has lived and represented the voice of the animals and the poor. This libertine-turned-saint was a gentle man with an infectious smile and personality that devoured all opposition to his unusual ministry.

St. Francis of Assisi was not always a saint though — far from it.

This was a time when pagan traditions were common place and the practice of drunken revelry and debauchery were considered typical of the age.

Western's Symphonic Band comes to Grayling on Oct. 9

The Western Michigan University Symphonic Band, under the direction of Dr. Robert I. Spradling, will perform at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School at 7:30 p.m., on Thursday, Oct. 9.

The University Symphonic Band is dedicated to the excellent performance of fine literature, including original works for band, compositions for wind ensemble, chamber music, and outstanding orchestral transcriptions. The aesthetic aspect of the music is stressed, with special emphasis on musical style. The ensemble uses flexible instrumentation to reflect the various weights and balances prescribed by the composer.

This ensemble maintains an active performance schedule on campus and in the community, and represents the School of Music throughout Michigan and the United States. In recent years, the Symphonic Band has appeared at the Midwestern Music Conference in Ann Arbor, Cobo Hall in Detroit, at the College Band Directors 22nd National Conference in Atlanta, Ga., the Music Educators National Conference in Chicago, and at the CBDNA North Central Division Conference in Green Bay, Wis. The ensemble has also made promotional recordings for Carl Fischer and Stormworks Publications.

Robert I. Spradling is a professor of Music at Western Michigan University (WMU), where he serves as Director of Bands and conducts the University Symphonic Band and Western Winds. Spradling holds three degrees from the Florida State University: the Bachelor of Music Education, the Master of Music Education, and the Doctor of Philosophy in Music Education. He joined the WMU faculty in the fall of 1993, after serving as Director of Bands and Chairperson for Winds and Percussion at Syracuse University. Prior to his university experience, Spradling taught at the junior and senior high levels in the Florida public schools.

In demand as a guest conductor and clinician, Spradling has been active nationally and internationally with outstanding amateur and professional ensembles, and has contributed to numerous clinics and con-

ferences for the professional development of wind band conductors. Spradling has contributed articles to the Instrumentalist, Journal Band Research, Journal of Research in Music Education, and The Band Directors Guide, among others, and he continues his research into conductor-ensemble interaction.

The band will open the concert with Gustav Holst's First Suite in E-flat for Military band. This will be followed with selections by 20th century composers. The performance will conclude with Serge Prokofiev's fast-paced March Op. 99. Tickets for this performance, priced at \$4.50 for adults and \$4 for seniors and students, may be purchased through the Community Education Program office at Grayling High School or by calling 348-7641 ext. 123/120. The Award Winning Community Education Cultural Events Series is made possible with the support of area business and corporations.

through their spirits.

The Lord of Rumpus, therefore, turned himself willingly into the beggar's companion and Francis of Assisi became a man who set out bowls of honey and wine in winter for the bees as he spoke to the flowers. And, it is this sainted man which the Christian world honors with their version of an ancient rite they believe he'd sanction and enjoy.

The Blessing of the Animals will commence at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 5 at St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 West of Grayling. All are invited to participate. The proceeds of a free-will offering will be donated to the Crawford County Animal Shelter.

Please see that all pets and animals are leashed, caged or otherwise properly restrained. Refreshments will be furnished for celebrants — furred, feathered, or finned.

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ANIMAL BLESSING -- St. Francis of Grayling hopes the public will bring their puppies and their smiles, like this little girl, to the Blessing of the Animals. Photo by Shirley Schmoock

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Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education announces PUBLIC MEETING on the HIGH SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE



The Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education is seeking input from the community to help them

identify solutions to the facility needs at Grayling High School. On Monday, October 6, the board invites interested parents, employees, students, and other community members to participate in a public meeting. The meeting will run from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. in the high school media center.

After a brief presentation of needs identified by the board and staff during the past six months, those present will be divided into small discussion groups. Members of the board of education will lead discussion in each group regarding the needs and will report the suggestions, ideas and opinions from each group to the full group at the end of the evening.

The board will use the community input from the evening in making final decisions regarding solutions to high school infrastructure needs. Questions may be directed to any member of the board of education or to the superintendent at 348-7641.

Kirtland seeks 12 local girls for upcoming ballet

The Grand Rapids Ballet will use up to 12 local dancers in this December's production of The Nutcracker at Kirtland Community College. Kirtland Dance Instructor, Deb Choszyk, will audition, select and choreograph a local ballet corps for the performances.

Two groups of girls are needed. Younger girls, with limited experience and training, but with lots of enthusiasm, are needed to dance the "Angel" roles, which traditionally open Act II. Angels must be between 4-foot, 6-inches and 4-foot, 10-inches tall.

Older and technically advanced girls are needed to dance the "Bon Bons" in the Mother Ginger section of the Act II. "Bon Bons" must be between 4-foot, 10-inches and 5-foot, 2-inches tall. Ideally, the ballet would like to cast six girls and two understudies in each group.

Auditions are Sunday, Oct. 5 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Kirtland's Gilbert I. Stewart Auditorium. Doors open for sign-ups/warm-ups at 1 p.m. All

girls who have toe shoes are asked to bring them.

Rehearsals are scheduled from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday afternoons at Kirtland Community College from Oct. 12 through Dec. 7. A final rehearsal is scheduled at the college the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 10. Afternoon rehearsal on Thursday, Dec. 11 may conflict with school, however, that will try to be avoided. On Dec. 12, the girls will need to be excused from classes, as performance times are 9:30, 11 and 1 p.m. that morning and early afternoon. Performance time on Thursday, Dec. 11 is 7 p.m.

For audition details, please contact the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts office at 517-275-5121 Ext. 397.

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Richard Milliman

White House refrain: Hear an echo?



HAS DEJA VU settled in at the Clinton White House?

Let us profoundly hope not.

President Bill Clinton and his possible successor, Vice President Al Gore, have been in the eye of the political fund raising hurricane.

What they did or did not do at and with the White House has caused all sorts of controversy.

Dialing for dollars, renting out the Lincoln Bedroom, selling a presidential ear for the right-sized contribution — especially when it involves foreign money — have all been criticized.

The evolving fund raising situation properly causes concern not only to the President and his party, but also to the folks out there in the grass roots.

Will these complaints bring on a more formal investigation? Will Republicans in Congress press the President and Veep to the wall? What more will come out?

THAT'S ONLY part of the presidential dilemma.

The simple question, "How's the President doing in the investigation?" cannot be satisfied with a simple answer.

Is the question about the Whitewater probe ... or the Paula Jones suit ... or campaign dollars ... or even about misdirection or stonewalling the Vince Foster suicide probe (although that one's pretty well settled now)?

President Clinton seems to be weathering the multiple storms.

As to misuse of the White House for improper or even illegal campaign fund raising, Mr. Clinton contends he did nothing wrong.

Mr. Gore has acknowledge that he made some calls from federal offices, but says they weren't illegal.

Mr. Clinton has said he can't remember whether he did or not.

But it really doesn't matter because they weren't wrong, Mr. Clinton contends.

ALL PRESIDENTS are beset with problems, but this administration seems to be trying to corner the market.

Maybe it's just the nature of politics today. Maybe it reflects a general loosening of public morals. Maybe it's the peculiarly aggressive character of the political opposition.

As the Attorney General pondered a special prosecutor on the campaign funds issues, Mr. Clinton went public

with a declaration of innocence, both for himself and Mr. Gore.

"I think it's important that ... the American people understand that I believe then and I believe now that what we did was legal," the President said recently.

"I'm absolutely positive that we intended to be firmly within the letter of the law."

Hmmm. That defense sounds familiar.

In other words, the President and Vice President are not crooks.

Wasn't there another president who used the exact words: "I am not a crook."

Whatever happened to him?

Is this White House deja vu, all over again?

Let us profoundly hope not.

SMITH REACTS — U.S. Rep. Nick Smith figures he's been almost successful enough in his three terms in Congress that he may not run forever.

Mr. Smith is a long-time advocate of term limits for both state and federal legislators, although his record of consecutive campaigns tends to belie that claim.

First elected to the Michigan House

in 1978, he's been running and winning public office ever since, and plans to run again in 1998.

"I'm reluctant to have term-limit advocated leave Congress and leave the debate to the rest of the members who don't want term limits," Mr. Smith has said.

The Almanack pointed out all this a few weeks ago, and concluded:

"Obviously he's never considered leading by example."

Mr. Smith called this columnist — at 8:30 p.m., at my home, from Washington — and mused about our conclusion.

He suggested that since he's been in Washington, he's lowered taxes, cut federal spending, balanced the budget, and done enough other good things that maybe he ought to think about "leading by example" after another term or so.

We shall see....but Mr. Smith deserves credit for taking the trouble to call and explain his position.

We appreciate that.

He didn't ask for money, either.

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EDITOR

Shelter can be saved with community's help

To the editor:

Maybe the people of Grayling don't realize how fortunate they are to have the Animal Shelter of Crawford County and Dixie Lobsinger, who runs it, located right there in Grayling. It's the only excuse I can come up with for a community that can't seem to find "room at the inn" for neglected, abandoned, and horribly abused animals.

In one year's time the shelter will be closed because the road commission property, where it is now located, is needed by the commission for its own expansion. Property has to be found now, building begun by next spring, in order for the animals not to be permanently displaced.

The shelter is not a county-run organization, well-funded and secure. It is certainly not a large, fancy facility. Other than \$6,000 per year from the county, Dixie and the Concerned Citizens For Animals group have been raising money and donating time to keep the shelter going, raising the extra \$12,000 or more needed each year. Dixie, herself, works seven days a week, 365 days a year, caring for, feeding, doctoring, and even euthanizing (only when necessary) the animals.

Dixie has seen the dark side of the area. Horrendous cases of animal abuse have been brought to her. Sweetpea, one of the shelter mascots, was found starving, chained to a tree. When she was brought to the shelter that chain had already grown into her neck and there was not much left of her body—she was down to consuming her own muscle, because she hadn't

been fed. She was covered with sores.

In another case, brought to Dixie's attention, 20 animals had been left, in winter, to starve and freeze. It was too late for them. When Dixie got there, they were already dead.

These aren't stories from other places in America. Nor stories from urban areas. These are atrocities happening in or around Grayling. As Dixie has told me, "if they shut us down, the Sweetpeas will still be out there, only they'll stay chained to those trees until they die."

I can't imagine such a thing being allowed to happen. There has to be a place for the shelter, and for Dixie, who cares for the animals. It seems to me that the zoning board, the Grayling Township Supervisor, the county commissioners can all get together and figure out this, not insurmountable, problem. Together, everyone can find a solution. It only takes innovation, some creative thinking, and a whole lot of caring.

How we treat our animals is an indication of the kind of people we really are. I hope everyone will show up for the Blessing of the Animals at the St. Francis Episcopal Church on Oct. 5, 1 p.m., to which animals from the shelter are invited, as well as the general public and their animals. Father Henley is trying to help. If everyone would do just a little bit: write to the county commissioners, the township supervisor, the zoning board and let them know you don't want to lose the shelter; donate money or time; get the word out—mountains can be moved.

Elizabeth Kane Buzzelli,

Grayling

FROM OUR CORNER

By Whitey Madsen

Troops, Congress, Clintons, etc.

The ol' fella is seeking wisdom on couple of things, and then we will hit on a little bit of this, and a little bit of that.

If you have the answers to my questions please let me know. I'm sure you could use the letters to the editor column...just be sure to sign your name.

First, I can't remember what Christmas our esteemed president said that all our troops sent to Bosnia would be home for their turkey dinner with family and friends; Do you?

Second, Do you know of any employees who give themselves raises, without consulting the employer?

Third, How many families can write off part of the expense when they take their son or daughter to college and get them settled? Especially from the east to the west coast?

I'll save you postage on that letter you were going to write. Here are the answers. But, you may still write and contradict my thoughts.

No one knows when the Prez will act...possible he is waiting for the 21st Century...he keeps talking about the bridge to the 21st, maybe he will bring them home over that bridge instead of in ships or planes.

I did read the other day Congress gave him an ultimatum to have the troops home by next June...big deal...Wily Willie will have some concoction by then and Congress will waffle.

Speaking of Congress...that brings up my second question.

Your elected officials in Congress pulled a fast one on us taxpayers (i.e. employers) when they rushed through

a bill in less than an hour to give the 435 members a \$3,072-a-year pay hike.

"No one was trying to pull a fast one on anybody," insisted Rep. Jim Kolbe (R-Ariz). He must have had his tongue in cheek when he made that statement.

I really don't begrudge those hard-working politicians for giving themselves that raise...after all, they only make \$133,600 a year, plus all the perks they can eat, drink or get away with.

If you are thinking about going to court to stop this slick deal, for get it. The same 2.3 percent increase also goes to federal judges. They certainly wouldn't bite the hand that feeds them.

Now for the answer to the third question.

The Clintons took daughter Chelsea to California, where she will attend Stanford University, on Air Force One, which is as it should be, right?

What confuses me is, how big a room is she sharing with one classmate? The three traveled on Air Force One, which I assume is a fairly large air craft.

I guess not so...most of Chelsea's belongings were shipped aboard a military plane and moved to her dorm.

How is that for a presidential perk. But their is more.

The taxpayers will share the cost of the trip with the Democratic National Committee, because Clinton attended a San Francisco fund raiser.

There is more. Chelsea will probably see plenty of her parents. A White House memo has asked agency heads to look for reasons to send Clinton to California on business more often.

Try to smile, taxpayers, while you're eating hot dogs and cold bean/sandwiches so you are able to pay

your taxes, so the IRS doesn't take everything you have.

By the way...just to make your day...it only costs \$26,000 per hour to fly Air Force One. Did someone ask how far it is from D.C. to Stanford?

A few idle thoughts after reading the Free Press recently...

A BUCK-FIFTY A PACK

In the proposed \$368.5-billion tobacco industry settlement, President Clinton wants the price of a pack of cigarettes at \$1.50 to stop teens from smoking.

(Who is he trying to kid? If the teen doesn't have the money to buy a pack, they will do the same as they do now for dope or booze...steal something and sell it for cash.)

GORE GOES TO RUSSIA

Vice-President Al Gore arrived in Moscow recently for three days of talks with Russian leaders.

Gore and Russian Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin will co-chair a bilateral commission set up by Yeltsin and Clinton.

(After four and half years, Willie has decided to bring the V-P out of the closet. And just in time to share in the burden of the election money scandal. This should help the voter see what he really is like before election.)

What others are saying:

POLITICAL FUND-RAISING

"Bill and Hillary Clinton dragged their seedy Arkansas ethics to Washington, turned the white house into a political brothel and so lowered the standards...of ethics in government that many Americans now are willing to yawn at this rampant corruption."

Manchester (N.H.) Union Leaders

HIS OWN MAN

"Embarrassing moment at Washington National Airport. I guess the CEO, the head guy, of Phillip Morris, the tobacco company, well he was passing through the metal detector and they asked him to empty his pockets and he pulled out Jesse Helms."

JAY LENO, "Tonight Show" host

DISASTER RELIEF

"Because all of the women in town are wearing wet T-shirts." ABC comic Bill Maher, on why Bill Clinton visited flooded-out Grand Forks, N.D.

GAME PLAYING

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton revealed in her newspaper column that she and President Clinton over the years "have played countless hours of Trivial Pursuit and charades." No surprise there.

How's that for an ending?

HOMETOWN NEWS

Cayla and Mallory Johnson are thrilled over the arrival of their baby brother.

Dallas was born on Sept. 8, at Munson Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and was 20 inches. His parents are Bill and Toni Johnson.

Ann Hamlin was in Mount Pleasant for the weekend of Sept. 5, visiting Richard and Margie Smith.

Kate Eaton of Owosso, also was

there. While there, they attended the wedding of Becky Goffnet and Garret Salter at the St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church of Shepherd.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of the Crawford County Avalanche.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-

space or use every other line.

Every letter must be signed and an address and phone number should be included. Letters will not be published without the author's name.

Letters are limited to 500 words.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Funeral directors do their job behind the scenes

To the editor:

It may or may not have been just a coincidence that Princess Diana and Mother Teresa died in the same week. Yet regardless of the almost total difference between the two women who died and the cultures in which they lived, one thing they had in common was a good, dignified funeral. Without those funerals, shown worldwide on television, many of their admirers would still be struggling with how to say a final good-bye. Funerals produce closure and thus enable the bereaved to begin the process leading to the renewal of life.

The television coverage showed the casket, or in Mother Teresa's case, the deceased herself, the colorful guards, the thousands of people who gathered to witness the events and the thousands of flower bouquets. One thing neither showed, however, was the funeral director.

The funeral directors involved worked under extreme pressure as with any funeral, especially that of a celebrity. The embalming skills of the Indian funeral directors to help preserve Mother Teresa, while she was

exposed for days to the extreme Indian heat and humidity was extraordinary. But no one saw the funeral directors. And that is how it should be. In every funeral, big or small, funeral directors hope that they are not noticed. That means they have done their job so well that all the focus is on the celebration of the life of the deceased and his or her family, as it should be.

The next time, however, someone sets out to bash funeral directors, they should keep in mind that over 80,000 times a year in Michigan, funeral directors are rarely seen and soon forgotten. That's because we're doing our job well. We even smile, when after having done an excellent job, people leave the funeral home and say "I hope I never see you again." They will be back, of course, and we as funeral directors will be there to serve them, with the same level of service we would render to both princesses and saints.

Kevin Curtin,
President of the Michigan
Funeral Directors Association

Township resident pleased with the job of supervisor

To the editor:

I am very pleased with Grayling Township Supervisor, Terry Wright. In the few months Terry has been our supervisor, he has started the township recycling center.

On Saturday, Sept. 20, I went to the recycling center and Terry was there working. It was very nice to see that we do indeed have a working supervisor for Grayling Township.

Virginia Bancroft,
Grayling

AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community news items submitted to the Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in our Wednesday issue.

Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday noon to be considered for the next issue. Please use every other line.

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Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday, 5 p.m.

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Bow hunters enter the woods

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

It is that time of year again, in which bow hunters have been waiting for.

The opening day of deer archery season was Wednesday, Oct. 1.

According to Department of Natural Resources (DNR) officials, this could be another good year of hunting for the state, this district and this county.

Overpopulation of deer has occurred in some areas in southern Michigan and in the Upper Peninsula, which will give hunters in that area an excellent opportunity to "bag a deer" this year.

The Mio District and Crawford County should also be good areas for deer hunters, whether with bow or firearm. These areas do not have the same over-population concerns that the southern and UP portions do.

"We are not dealing with significant over population like the other parts," said Larry Robinson, DNR biologist in the wildlife division of the Mio District office. "We are looking at maintenance (of the deer population level), rather than trying to knock the numbers down."

However, this does not mean that there aren't any deer in the Mio District or Crawford County to hunt.

Officials are seeing a few more deer this year in Crawford County, Robinson said. The Crawford County contacts have also said they are seeing more deer in comparison to last season.

DNR officials have even decided to open up Deer Management Unit (DMU) 66 for antlerless permit use this year, due to the number of deer in the area.

This is the first time in years that DMU 66 has been open to hunters with antlerless permits, Robinson said. A hunter had to draw an antlerless permit for DMU 66 for this brand new opening to hunters — firearm or archery.

The hunters in the northern part of the Mio District, which includes Crawford County, may see a few one-and-a-half year old bucks, Robinson explained that there was a enough of a winter loss in these area during 1996 that there may be lower number of this age of bucks.

condition also led to less effective deer baiting, because of the large availability of acorns.

Another factor this season will be the green vegetation. Robinson said that due to the cooler-than-normal August, some field green vegetation still exists and hunters should key on these areas.

The conditions and population amount look to be right for a fairly decent deer season. Another factor for bow season will be the weather. Robinson said bow hunters have been waiting nearly a year for the season to come back, and for that reason the weather of opening day (which was Oct. 1) is key. Prior to press time, Robinson said the weather looked to be good on opening day.

One of the most significant changes in hunting regulations this year involves the second deer taken. The second license must be filled by a buck with at least four points on one side. This regulation is effective for both firearm and archery season.

Antique weekend set in Grayling

The Grayling Antique Dealers Association will again be putting on an antique weekend on Oct. 11-12. All area antique shops will be open from 10-5 daily with special sales and discounts, and special displays. A drawing also will be held in conjunction with the weekend.

Kirtland Garden Club to meet

The October meeting of the Kirtland Garden Club will be a tour to the Kilcherman's Christmas Cove Farm. There are 175 different kinds of antique apples grown there. The tour will be on Oct. 20 and people must meet at 8 a.m. at the Congregational Church in Roscommon. Reservations are due by Oct. 13 and can be made by calling Barb at 275-5832 or Jean at 366-5169.

Master gardeners to hold meeting

The Master Gardeners Society will hold its October meeting at the Lyon Township Hall at Higgins Lake on Monday, Oct. 13 from 7 to 9 p.m. The members will be discussing "Planting in Sandy Soil." For details, call the society president at (517) 275-5832.

Project Graduation to sell hot dogs

Project Graduation will hold a hot dog sale on Oct. 4 from 11-3 p.m. at Glens Market in Grayling. Glens Market will provide the hot dogs and buns for the event.

Retired state employees to gather

The regular meeting of the North Central Area Chapter No. 19, State Employee Retirees Association, will be held Tuesday, Oct. 7, at the Houghton Lake Community Building, beginning at 2 p.m.

SHARE details announced

There will be a SHARE sign-up on Oct. 13 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Commission on Aging. The SHARE pick-up will be on Oct. 24 from 1:30-3 p.m. at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints on North Down River Road.

'Two Steps Forward' scheduled

The MSU-Extension Family Nutrition Program presents "Two Steps Forward", a free eight-week program from Oct. 20 to Dec. 8. The program will be held at the St. Francis Episcopal Church from 9 a.m. until 2:15 p.m. The purpose of the program is to learn to feed a family better for less money. Register by calling 348-2844 ext. 264.

Winners of raffle announced

The winners of the Grayling Amvets Post 90 raffle that was held on Sept. 21 were: first place, Nancy Pamerleau, Grayling; second place, Todd Tompkins, Grayling; and third place, Jennifer Boros, Farmington Hills.

Benefit-switch deadline nears

Certain current and former service members may be eligible for Montgomery G.I. Bill education benefits that they previously could not obtain, if they elect to switch education programs before Oct. 9.

Legislation signed into law Oct. 9, 1996, enables certain service members and veterans eligible for the Veterans Educational Assistance Program (VEAP) to instead elect to use education benefits provided by the Montgomery G.I. Bill. To switch to the newer education program, active duty service members and veterans discharged after Oct. 8, 1996, must have had money in their VEAP account on Oct. 9, 1996.

"While we believe those affected by this legislation are aware of their option to elect Montgomery G.I. Bill education benefits, we are making every effort to ensure eligible service members have the opportunity to act before the October deadline," said VA's (Veterans Affairs) Acting Under Secretary for Benefits Stephen Lemons.

The Montgomery G.I. Bill entitles service members and veterans greater benefits than VEAP. Generally, monthly benefits under the Montgomery G.I. Bill (Active Duty) program amount to \$427.87 for up to 36 months of full-time training. VA or the Department of Defense will collect from those individuals who elect to switch a \$1,200 payment required of all participants in the Montgomery G.I. Bill—Active Duty program.

Service members should contact their Education Officer for election procedures. Veterans can call VA toll-free at 1-800-827-1000 for assistance in filing an election. Information on VA education benefits also is available on VA's Internet Home Page at www.va.gov/benefits/education.

The law requires that an election be completed by Oct. 8. The service member's or veteran's \$1,200 pay deduction or payment does not have to be made by that date, but benefits cannot be granted until the full payment is made.

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THURS 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •MERCY AMICARE HOSPICE SERVICES' Bereavement Support Group @ St. Mary's Learning Center, 702 Peninsular, 3-5 pm. For more information call Mary Beth Dettling, 1-800-424-1457. •AUSABLE VALLEY SNOWMOBILE Association meeting @ Grayling Holiday Inn, 7 pm. •BEYOND THE GARDEN WALL Club meeting @ Michelson Memorial Church, 7 pm. For information call 348-7905 •MS GBB vs. Gaylord, 7th, 8th away. •VAR BOYS GOLF @ Fairview, 4 pm. •VAR GIRLS TENNIS vs. Bay City John Glenn, away, 4 pm. •DINNER SHOW "SH BOOM" @ Grayling Holiday Inn, 6:30 pm. •JV FB vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, home, 6:30 pm. •TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. For more information call Mary Kay, 348-1398.
FRI 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •CROSS COUNTRY @ Roscommon, 4 pm. •VAR FB vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, away, 7:30 pm.
SAT 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •SAT TEST DATE •HOT DOG SALE @ Glens Market, 11 am to 3 pm. Sponsored by Glen's Market. Proceeds go to GHS Project Graduation '98.
SUN 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today. •FIRE PREVENTION WEEK BEGINS
MON 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Iron Gate, 12 noon. •AP/GE PARENTS GROUP meeting @ AuSable Primary, 6:30 pm. •MS GBB vs. Lincoln Alcona, 7th, 8th home. •VAR BOYS SOCCER VS. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, away, 5 pm.
TUES 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DISTRICT FINE ARTS coordinating committee @ MS conference room, 3:40 pm. •FRESH GBB vs. Gaylord, home, 6:30 pm. •GPA MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •AUSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON joint meeting @ Mio AuSable Restaurant, 7 pm. •ADHD parent's support group meeting, 615 S. Elm, Gaylord, 7 pm. Call (517) 732-3529 for more information.
WED 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm, meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •LIONS CLUB meeting @ Breaker's Steak House, 6:30 pm. •PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES Early dismissal for all students beginning with HS @ 12:16. •MS GBB vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, 7th away, 8th home. •CROSS COUNTRY @ Harrison, 4 pm. •VAR BOYS SOCCER vs. Pinconning, away, 5 pm. •FRESH GBB vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, home, 6:15 pm. •VAR BOYS GOLF NEMC Championship, TBA.

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The Bible Speaks

From the Calvary Baptist Church

Who Cares?

Bible-believing Christians are often characterized by unbelievers as unloving, uncaring, narrow-minded, bigoted, prejudiced radicals. If God and the Bible are merely archaic myths, as they suppose, then they are right. But since God and the Bible are true, then God and Bible-believing Christians are the most caring of persons.

One summary of God's message in the Bible is found in John 3:16, 17: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved." This is the greatest love known to man (John 15:3). God sent His only begotten Son to take our sin, death, and hell that we "should not perish, but have everlasting life." The most uncaring person on earth then is the one who

does not care about your eternal soul. The most agonizing cry in eternity will be, "No man cared for my soul." (Psalms 142:4) To perish for eternity is the most horrible future any human could suffer.

Not only do Bible believers want you to avoid perishing and have eternal life, but they want you to choose a happy life now. "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." (3 John 1:2). The Bible says, in Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Sin compounds sickness and death to individuals, families, communities, and nations. We remember when Victorian or Puritan sexual standards were ridiculed and blamed for most mental problems in the 60's during the sexual revolution. Today those "freed" from Bible standards face more anxiety

concerning diseased and death from sexually transmitted diseases than at any time in history. The wages of sin have always been death just like God promised.

The solution for the guilt of sin is not medication of the mind, but God's grace in the heart. (Eph. 2: 8,9). The hope for change in lifestyle comes not from reformation, but repentance. (2 Tim. 2:25). God's image to which we must conform is not found in Hollywood, but is found in the Son of God from Heaven. (Rom. 8:29). Those who play down the Book, the Blood, and the Blessed Hope show little care for your soul.

Pastor "B"

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Flu shots offered by NMHS

Northern Michigan Health Services (NMHS) is offering flu shots to the general public from Oct. 1 through Dec. 1 at all three clinic locations — Houghton Lake Health Services, 9249A West Lake City Road, Houghton Lake, Northpoint Clinic, 135 Lake Street, Roscommon, and Grayling Primary Health Care, 308 Michigan Avenue, Grayling.

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommends the following groups should be vaccinated: anyone over age 65, persons with chronic lung, heart, or diabetes; teenagers or children on long-term aspirin therapy; conditions that make it hard to fight off disease; and anyone wishing to decrease their risk of developing

the flu, like people who work with the general public on a daily basis. This year the CDC has extended its recommendations to women who will be in the second or third trimester of pregnancy during the flu season.

Each year a different strain or "type" of flu virus comes around, therefore, people at high risk should be vaccinated every year. The Center for Disease Control usually knows what strain will be active and the flu vaccine is made with those viruses.

Flu shot clinic walk-in days have been established for each clinic as follows: Houghton Lake Health Services: Mondays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Northpoint Clinic: Thursdays, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.; Grayling Primary Health Care, Wednesdays, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

No appointment is necessary. A consent form will need to be signed. There is a fee of \$8 for the flu vaccine, however, if the recipient has a current Medicare or Medicaid card, there will be no charge.

Northern Michigan Health Services is also offering to host on-site flu shot clinics to area business or groups for their employees. For more information contact: NMHS Administration Office at 517/422-5148.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period Oct. 8 through Oct. 15.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located North of County Rd. 612, East of Guthrie Lake, South of Old State Rd. 618, and West of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.).

The Range 40 Complex, located North of County Road 612, East of Sherman Road, South of Old State Road 618, and West of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Military Maneuvers and weapons firing will be conducted.

Range 13, Mortar Range, located South of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac County Line, North of Daniels Road and East of the gas pipeline.

Range 15, located South of the main post, bounded on the West by Cadillac Road and on the East by Carrier Road.

Small Arms Ranges located West of Lake Margrethe, North of Howe Road, East of the gas pipeline and South of Portage Creek.

Church Directory

Indian Summer

Sunday
James 1:1-18
Monday
Psalm 19
Tuesday
Isaiah 28:23-29
Wednesday
Exodus 20:1-21
Thursday
Exodus 23:1-13
Friday
Leviticus 25:35-38
Saturday
Deuteronomy 28:1-15

A friendly breeze stirs the leaves of gold and scarlet on this misty October morning. Toward noon, the bright rays of the sun will tug off coats and sweaters as leaves crackle under foot. That last luscious taste of summer is so tantalizingly sweet. We have been given a temporary reprieve from the first cold and windy days that will tell of the coming of winter.

Weekly worship is much like that October day...a rather brief but special time when God's children come together joyfully and thankfully as His love flows all around us. It is a time to refresh and lighten our souls as the warmth of God's spirit reassures us that He will be with us through each moment of our busy lives and through situations that leave us chilled by worry and despair.

Visit your chosen place of worship this week. Experience the warmth of God's love.

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Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
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Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
209 First St. -- Suite 103 -- Gaylord
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor J. Douglas Paterson
400 Michigan Ave.
(temporarily being held at AuSable Primary School)
348-2974
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11:15 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Stramel
Phone 348-4445
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8865/Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 p.m.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm St., Gaylord
Sacrament 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Primary 11 a.m.
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Heritage Baptist
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Wednesday 7 p.m.

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Adult Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
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Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Pastor Patricia Fowler
North Down River Rd. at 1030 Glenn Rd.
P.O. Box 1188
Church School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching 11 a.m.
Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

Gaylord Christian Reformed
Rev. V. Schaap
415 Ohio North, Gaylord
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nally, J.V., Pastor
700-708 Peninsular - 348-7657
Sabbath Eucharist

Saturday Vigil 7 p.m.
Sunday Mass 8 a.m.
Family Mass 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Family Bible Study/Sharing 9:30 a.m.
Daily Masses
Wednesday & 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday 8:30 a.m.
Daily Worship
Sacrament of Reconciliation, one hour prior to Saturday Vigil Mass, or by appt.

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patty Petrie, 348-8314
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church

Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
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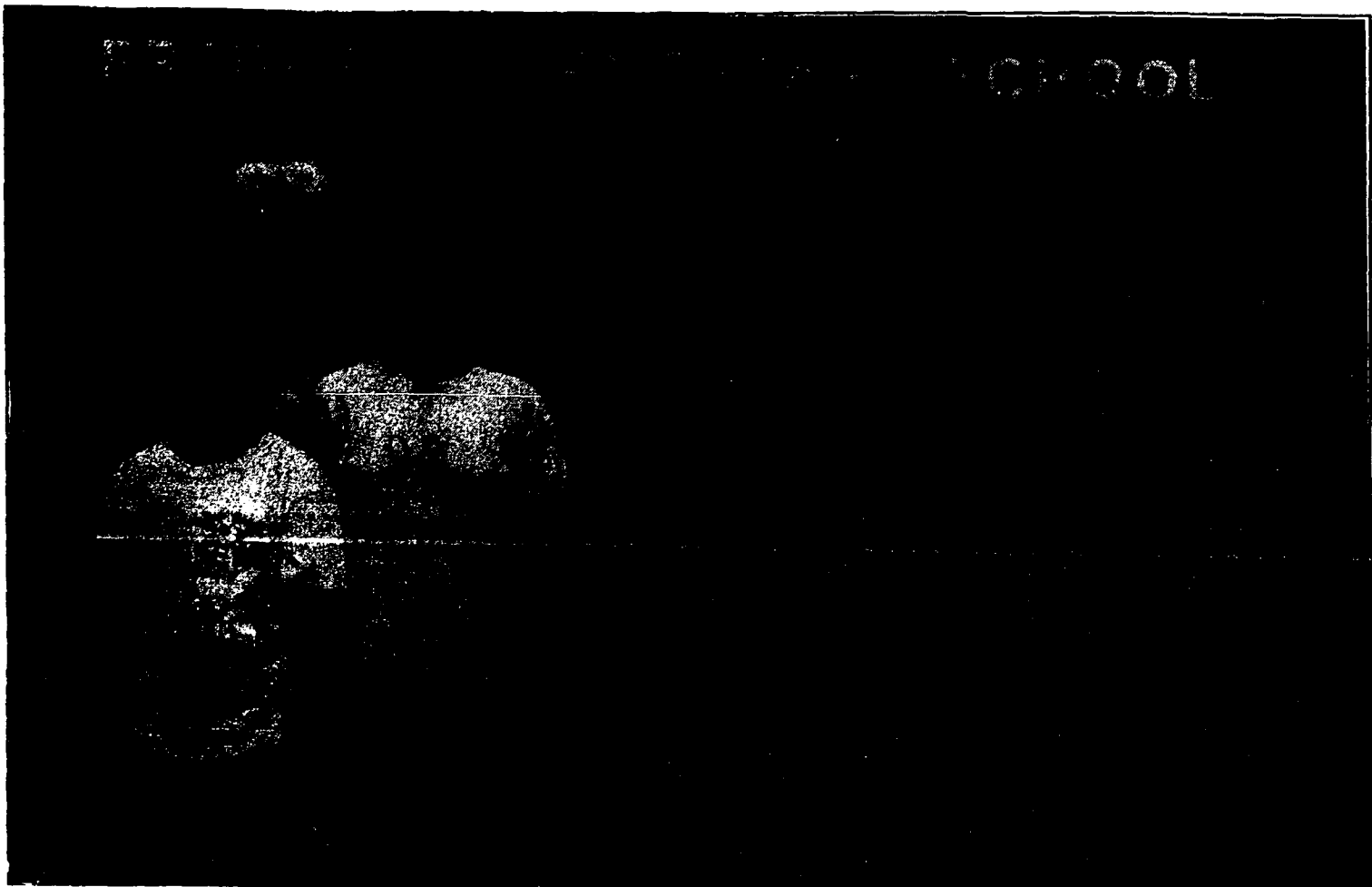
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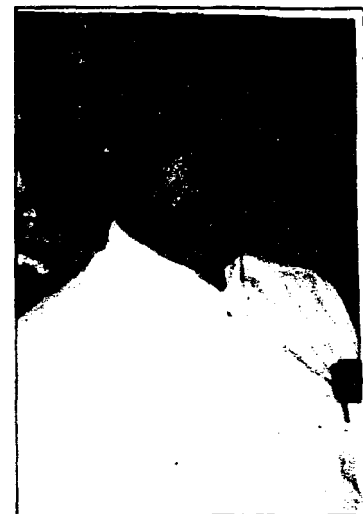
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FREDERIC IMPROVEMENT — These are students from the "4-H Garden Club." They have worked with the Frederic Elementary School on improving the area by the flag pole in front of the school. Pictured, left to right, are: Evie Clark, Kathy Prause, June Clark, Jamie Wyss, Donna Clark, Chelsea VanNuck, and Jeff Weaver. Missing from the picture are: Sean Cox, Molly Cox, Dustin Pizzi, and Ashley McLeod.



Charles McLeod

New maintenance chief hired by Crawford County

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

The position of maintenance supervisor has been offered to a local man — Charles "Butch" McLeod.

McLeod has extensive background experience in building and grounds maintenance. The scope of his new responsibilities will include custodial care and maintenance of the Crawford County Courthouse, the Annex which houses the 911 dispatch office and building and zoning office, the county jail and grounds surrounding the compound.

"This is my first job with government," he said, "but there's a backlog of work there and my priority is to get it back up to standards." McLeod has previously been a self-employed building and grounds contractor.

McLeod resides with his wife, Debra, owner of Deb's Hair Care, and daughter Lauren, a fifth grade student at Grayling Elementary. Another daughter, Kassandra, lives in Caro, and McLeod's son, Colby, is 25 and lives in Kingsley.

As a life-long resident of the area, McLeod is well aware of the work load, as another of his responsibilities will be snow removal.

"I get along with the public though," McLeod admits, "so I'm anxious to begin." His new job began on Sept. 2.

Other duties which fall into this job classification will be minor repairs, painting, carpentry, and coordinating bids which the county may choose to let on larger projects.

McLeod's mother, Rose Wales, and sister, Sharon Failing, are both residents of Grayling.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for the week:
Don't miss the silver lining, because you're expecting gold.

Happenings at the Center and announcements of things to come: Special announcement concerning flu shots. The health department will be giving flu shots on Oct. 3-10, and on Oct. 17. You must call for an appointment (348-7800) and bring your card, either medicare part B or medicaid, otherwise the cost is \$8. Center happenings: "BK" Bingo on Oct. 1, Sunday brunch on Oct. 5, with English Muffins and Ham and eggs serving from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Movie at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 7, with "Big" and Tom Hanks; Commodities on Oct. 8 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Free Methodist Church; Birthday dinner and White Elephant auction on Oct. 8; BP's from 11 a.m. to noon on Oct. 9 and casino trip leaving at 9:30 a.m.; Frederic Satellite on Oct. 10. Pantry Bingo every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m.

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- 1 - Brown Steak/Goulash
- 2 - Porcupine Meatballs/BBQ Beef
- 3 - Breaded Pork Chops/no dinner
- 6 - Wiener Schnitzel/Spanish Rice
- 7 - Chicken Kiev/Breaded Fish
- 8 - Hawaiian Ham/Swiss Steak
- 9 - Meatloaf/Herbed Chicken
- 10 - Roast Beef/no dinner

Correction

In last week's Crawford County Avalanche, the story called "Grayling area experiences building boom" contained an incorrect identification. The article should have stated that Richard Kahn and his wife Jill have photographed the building to the end of its life, not his ex-wife Connie.

The Avalanche apologizes for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

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ACC 201	Principles of Accounting I	Tuesday	6-9:25 pm
ACC 331	Federal Taxation II	Tuesday	6-9:25 pm
COM 312	Organizational Communications	Tuesday	6-9:25 pm
MKT 455	Marketing Research	Tuesday	6-9:25 pm
ACC 311	Cost Accounting I (ACC 320)	Wednesday	6-9:25 pm
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COM 121	College Writing I	Wednesday	6-9:25 pm
MGT 301	Small Business Management	Wednesday	6-9:25 pm
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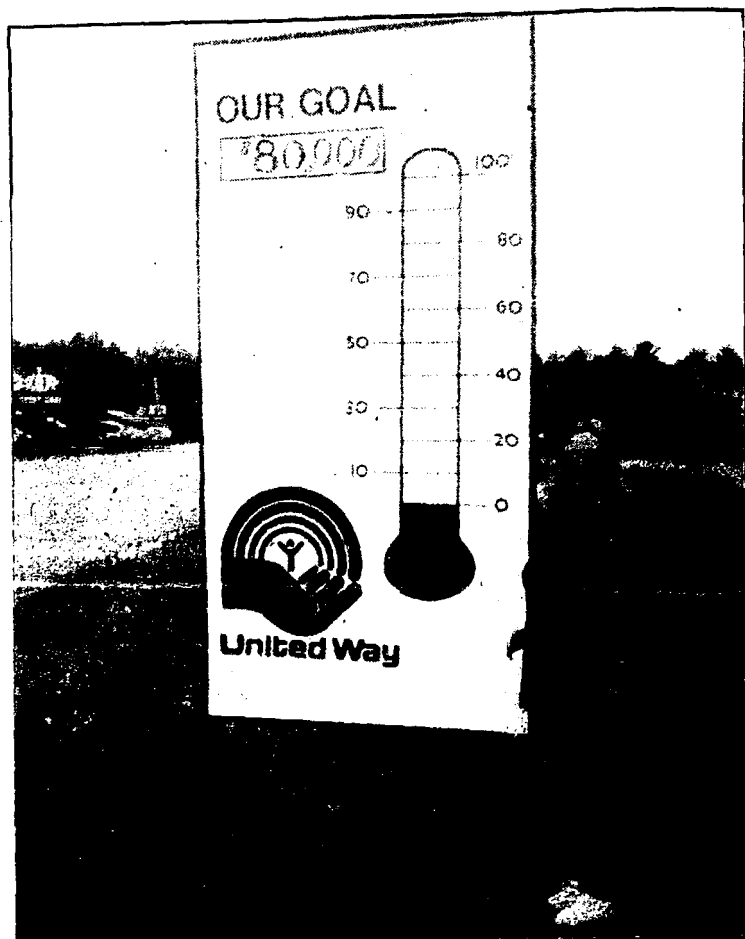
United Way focuses early campaign efforts on leaving 'snowbirds'

Before leaving for the winter, snowbirds are reminded by United Way volunteers and agencies to make a gift to the United Way of Crawford County.

The co-chairs of the fund-raising campaign — Jerry and Marianne Gosnell, and Jim and Sandy Briney — are attempting to start their drive toward the fund-raising goal by soliciting funds from snowbirds before they leave, and any other interested residents.

According to the campaign co-chairs, "The best way to make certain your gift will count toward reaching the 1997 United Way goal of \$80,000 is to send your check today to Crawford County United Way at Post Office Box 171, Grayling, Michigan 49738. The money raised during the campaign will be distributed to numerous agencies in the Crawford County area to help people in need. The 18 agencies funded by the United Way of Crawford County are: the American Red Cross, Ministerial Association, Kenquest House, Youth Services Bureau, Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts, Catholic Human Services, New Life Community Service, Grayling Cooperative Preschool, Crawford County Habitat for Humanity, River House Shelter, 4-H Youth Program, Hospice of Michigan, Crawford AuSable Day Care, Mercy Child Care Center, Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Crawford County, Kirtland Community College Volunteer Center, ROOC and Girl Scouts.

For more information about the United Way program and benefiting agencies, snowbirds and other residents are encouraged to look at the yellow insert in this week's issue of the Crawford County Avalanche.



SIGN IS UP -- Sandy Briney, one of the three co-chairpersons for the United Way fund-raising drive, stands next to the goal thermometer along M-72 West. The signs are put up every year by two volunteers -- Farrell and Linda Thomas -- for the United Way drive.

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First show in Command Performance Series scheduled

The curtain rises on the 1997-98 Command Performance Series, which features a dinner-show format, on Thursday, Oct. 2, at the Grayling Holiday Inn.

The series will begin Thursday when Sh-Boom, a vocal variety ensemble, takes to the stage. The doors will open at 6 p.m., with dinner buffet beginning at 6:30 p.m. The performance is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m.

Sh-Boom is a musical comedy show, featuring the hits of the 50s and 60s. The dinner buffet will include beef tips and noodles, baked cod, potato, vegetable, salad bar, non-alcoholic beverage and an ice cream sundae.

A limited number of tickets at \$22.50 per person are available. The tickets may be purchased by calling the Crawford AuSable School District Community Education box

office at 348-7641 ext. 123/120.

The Command Performance Series season tickets are also available at \$90 for the five listed performances this season. The season tickets also can be purchased through the Community Education office.

In addition to the Sh-Boom performance, the other shows in the series include Travelogue Italy, the Riverboat Revue, Western Michigan University Vocal and Instrumental Gold Company and the MOT/Band Show Cabaret Style.

The Travelogue Italy show will take place on Nov. 20. The series show will include an Italian buffet, featuring lasagna, linguini and cod. The Riverboat Revue is scheduled for Feb. 28, 1998. The show comes from the Showboat Casino in Atlantic City. The dinner plate will feature Cajun chicken or seafood

creole.

The WMU Vocal and Instrumental Gold Company is set for March 26, 1998. The dinner plate served during this performance will feature stuffed pork chop or whitefish. The MOT/Band Show: Cabaret Style will take place on May 1, 1998. The served buffet will feature steamship round beef and stuffed chicken.

The Command Performance Series is part of the award-winning Community Education Cultural Events Series and is made possible with the financial support of area businesses and corporations.

CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

by Tracie Compton

The resource location address for the Crawford County Library homepage on the Internet is www.grayling-mi.com/library.htm.

The Crawford County Library homepage lists links to Search, Library of Michigan, Northland Library Cooperative, Library of Congress and other libraries, and M-Link.

Search will take users to a list of 10 search engines, four people, business and E-mail finders, and 11 subject browsers.

The Library of Michigan link allows persons to view the collection in Lansing, library hours and has links to Michigan libraries and government information.

M-Link allows any Michigan citizen to receive an answer to questions concerning economic or community development. There is also a link to MEL, or Michigan Electronic Library.

MEL offers information about Michigan covering business, government, legislation, bills, health information, recreation, children, education and statistics about each county and the state.

A hands-on Internet class is offered at the Crawford County Library on Thursdays at 11 a.m. Please call ahead

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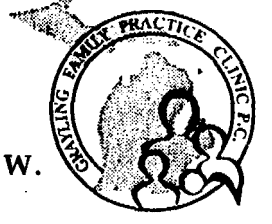
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NEW GHS LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHER -- Ann Miller, new language arts instructor at Grayling High School, works at her lectern.
(Maryann Sirrine Photo)

New language arts instructor begins at GHS

By Nancy Lemmen
Ann Miller, a native of northern Michigan, joined the Grayling High School faculty this fall.
Originally from Bellaire, Miller graduated from Western Michigan University with a B.A. in geography and English. She spent the past four years teaching speech and language arts at Frankfort High School. Her assignments at GHS include ninth grade language arts, debate and forensics.

Charles Spencer, GHS language arts teacher, was a member of the committee that interviewed applicants for Miller's position.
"We felt Ann was a really good candidate and would make a valuable addition to the teaching staff," said Spencer. "She had been involved in rewriting Frankfort's language arts curriculum for grades K-12 and had several years of experience teaching freshman and sophomore writing... and helping them prepare for the High School Proficiency Test (HSPT)."

Outside the classroom, Miller is working on a master's degree in media technology at Central Michigan University. In her leisure time, she enjoys golf, basketball and skiing.

This fall, her husband Matthew began work as middle school principal/athletic director for the Mio AuSable School District. The Millers have one daughter, Shauna, who will be two-years old on Oct. 5.
She replaces Robin Pawley, who accepted a position at Petoskey High School.

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OBITUARIES Get ready for Fire Prevention Week

Mary J. Perry

Mary J. Perry of Grayling, 86, died Sept. 24, 1997 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Perry was born in Clearfield, Pennsylvania, to Joseph and Julia (Privy) Jedliss on Feb. 13, 1911.

Mrs. Perry was a Grayling resident for 65 years, moving here from Detroit. She was employed as a dietary aide at Mercy Hospital for many years before retiring. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and was active in the Catholic Women's Club at St. Mary's. She was preceded in death by her husband, LaVerne Perry, son Robert Jedliss, and parents, Joseph and Julia (Privy) Jedliss.

She is survived by a daughter, Merry Lynn Meredith of Grayling; granddaughter, Mandi and Marty Murray of Ann Arbor; grandson, Michael Stillwagon of New Port Richey, Florida; great-grandson, Mitchell Murray of Ann Arbor; great-granddaughter, Ashley Stillwagon of New Port Richey, Florida.

Mass of Christian Burial was Monday, Sept. 29, 1997 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Grayling, officiated by Reverend Patrick Cawley, burial was in Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Palbearers were: Larry Smith, Stanley Murray, Leroy Warde, Jay Mathews, Alfred Borchers, Mikey Stillwagon.

The family request memorials be given to St. Mary's Catholic Church to benefit the children.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

Evelina L. Cotten

Evelina L. Cotten, 84, of Grayling, died Sept. 25, 1997 at Mercy Manor in Grayling.

Mrs. Cotten was born in Nashville, Tennessee to Gabriel L. and Mollie (Stewart) Valdes on December 24, 1912.

Mrs. Cotten moved to Grayling in February of this year from Dearborn Heights to be closer to her family. She was previously the nursing supervisor at the Plymouth State Home and Training School, retiring from there in 1976. Prior to that she taught 4th grade at St. John the Baptist Catholic School in Dearborn Heights. She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by sons: Norman and Rosemary Cotten of Pinckney; Carl Cotten of Taylor; James and Karen Cotten of Taylor; Edwin Cotten of Dearborn Heights; Ted Cotten, of Higgins Lake; daughters: Shirley and David Shofield of Taylor; Margaret and Jerry Skidmore (Higgins Lake); a brother: Spickel Valdes of Tennessee; sisters, Mary Pardue of Tennessee; Millie Embrey of Taylor; Nilmah Cook of Nashville, Tennessee; fifteen grandchildren; and fifteen great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, September 27, 1997 at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel with Reverend Robert W. Nalley officiating.

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The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) estimates that approximately 80 percent of all U.S. fire deaths occur in the home. A quick and decisive response to early warning signs of fire often makes the difference between life and death. Whether at home or in a public building, each person needs to react immediately, if a fire alarm or smoke detector sounds.

A home escape plan should be developed with all family members in mind, and the plan should be practiced by the whole family. An adequate plan should include everyone

in the house knowing at least two ways out of every room.

An outdoor location in front of the home should be established as a place for everyone to meet after the escape. Knowing the emergency telephone number used to access the local fire department is also necessary. The escape plan should be posted in a visible area of the home for everyone to see.

"Fires in Michigan caused the deaths of 205 of our citizens and one of our fire fighters in 1996," said Capt. Wade E. Schaefer, state fire marshal. "People don't realize just how often fire strikes. They never think it will happen to them. Unfortunately, that's not the case."

One actual fire was reported every nine minutes last year in Michigan. That's almost 60,000 fires, just in the State of Michigan in a one-year period. As Fire Prevention Week begins, remember the importance of reacting fast to fire.

Thomas J. Renkes

Thomas John Renkes of Frederic, 63, died at his residence in Frederic.

Mr. Renkes was born in Detroit, Michigan, to George and Margaret (Tobin) Renkes.

Mr. Renkes retired from Lucent Technologies (formerly Western Electric of Michigan Bell). He was a part-time resident of Frederic from 1981 to 1993 when they moved there fulltime. He married the former Jacqueline L. Nebus at Precious Blood Church in Detroit on Aug. 6, 1955. Mr. Renkes was active in the Westland Youth Athletic Association for many years and was also active in the Mom & Dad's Club at St. Richard's Church in Westland. He served with the U.S. Army Signal Corps from 1957 to 1959 attaining the rank of SP4. While in the service he worked with the 101st Airborne at Fort Richardson, Anchorage, Alaska, and was a member of the 50 degrees below zero Polar Bear Club at Fort Richardson.

Mr. Renkes was preceded in death by his parents, George and Margaret (Tobin) Renkes.

He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline L. (Nebus) Renkes; sons, Thomas William Renkes and wife, Robbie of Ypsilanti; Peter Michael Renkes and wife, Sally of Westland; James Matthew Renkes and wife, Colette with U.S. Coast Guard in Port Angelus, Washington serving on U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Cutty Hunk; sisters, Elizabeth Schuckel of Bellaire, Barbara Trammell of Abingdon, Maryland; and eight grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial was Saturday, October 4, 1997 at St. Mary of the Woods, Kalkaska, officiated by

Reverend James A. Holtz. A special service was on Friday, Oct. 4, 1997.

The family request memorials be given to either American Cancer Society or Children's Leukemia Foundation or St. Mary's of the Woods.

Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Frederic.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

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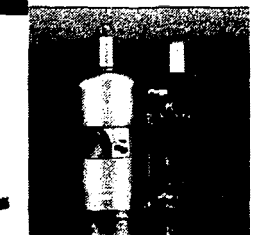
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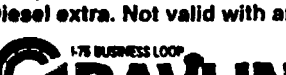


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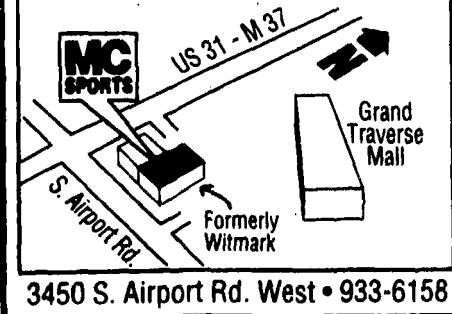
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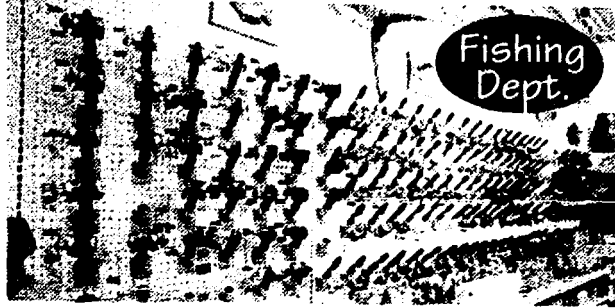
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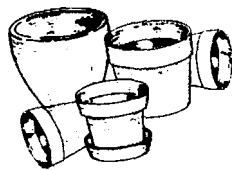
Many seniors have more gardening experience than any other segment of our population. Many grew up on farms or gardened as a means of bringing food to the table. Then why should they give up gardening as they age? Even those living in smaller places or challenged by physical limitations can enjoy gardening. The American Nursery and Landscape Association (formerly American Association of Nurserymen) offers these ideas for older gardeners to consider.

Off to a good start Perhaps you've moved to a smaller home or want to redesign your current landscape to make it less labor intensive and more accessible. Consult a landscape professional to achieve great long-term results. Have your professional design and install an easy-maintenance yard. Eliminate or reduce twists and turns, planning gentle curves instead. Reduce edging work by mulching well around plants and trees.

Focus on technique. Vegetable gardens need not be huge to be productive. Thinking small limits your effort

without sacrificing results. A large patio pot can yield all the cherry tomatoes you'll ever need for salads. Raised beds make gardening accessible even to those in wheelchairs. and reduce back strain for all gardeners. Use ground cover to lessen mowing. Containers of bright annuals provide plenty of color for a minimum of work. Garden centers can suggest varieties. While there, stock up on potting soil. Bug and weed free, processed soil saves labor.

Budget-minded seniors can add gardening jobs to their gift lists. Grandmother might love two big bags of soil poured into a beautiful container.



Reap the benefits. According to the American Horticultural Therapy Association (AHTA), gardening is a low-intensity activity with considerable physical benefits for seniors. Gardening exercises hands, arms and upper body. It increases strength, stamina and coordination. Gardening

even exercises the eyes through visual scanning. Taking time to smell the roses has positive emotional benefits, too. AHTA's web site is <http://www.hort.vt.edu>. Look for human issues in the index.



Garden safety tips • offered

Sun sense. Some medications, (example: certain antibiotics and antidepressants) cause increased sensitivity to sunlight. Garden when temperatures are cooler. Incorporate shady area for sun protection and gardening breaks. Drink plenty of water to avoid dehydration.

Changing pace. Avoid



GRANDMOTHER WELLINGTON -- Jennie Annis is called "Grandmother Wellington" when she volunteers at Wellington Farm Park. In fact, she is the wife of Forrest Annis, one of five sons of the original Wellington settler -- George Annis (1882). Jennie Annis is pictured here with Tonja Carlson and Marjorie Pifer, Traverse City volunteer exhibitors for the Metis trading community. They are shown taking part in the annual Wellington Farm Park "Walk-Thru-History."

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muscle stress by varying slip, non-glare paving grades for ease of walking jobs. Weed awhile, then materials like brushed and accessibility. concrete or exposed **Workable water.** Water weeding. Don't grip or aggregate. Avoid using outlets should be uneven walkway materials conveniently close. like brick paver, bark or Lacking that, use a hose- periods. gravel. Maintain level end turn off valve.

Crawford County Commission on Aging

308 Lawndale Dr., Grayling, MI

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The way to use 9-1-1

When used correctly, 911 is a lifesaving tool that brings a quick response from police, paramedics and the fire department. Unfortunately, operators are too often tied up with calls that aren't urgent.

CALL:

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- To report a fire;
- If there is a life-threatening situation requiring immediate help, such as a severe traffic accident or person having a heart attack, non-breathing, etc.

DON'T CALL:

- To request information such as an address. Most areas have information lines - check the front of the telephone book.
- To file complaints, such as reports about power outages or noisy

neighbors. Instead, call the police department.

- If there's an illness or minor injury that doesn't require the attention of paramedics, call a doctor or go to a hospital.

THE EXCEPTION:

- Children should dial 911 whenever they feel threatened or see that a parent is hurt. Teach them to not hang up if they call, and explain why it's vital that they never make crank calls. Also, tell them that they don't need a coin to call 911 from a pay phone.

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Football Contest

Jim Brown was the winner in week #5 of the football contest with a score of 17. June Rouse and Rodney Adkison also had 17 correct, but Brown's tiebreaker pick of 42 was closer to the actual tiebreaker score of 41. Following with 16 correct picks were Bruce Armstrong, Mary Brown, Julie Gates, Nancy Gingerick, Jeanne Hamilton, Mark Hartman, Doug Latuszek, Paula Nettleton, Alf Svensen, Larry Rouse, Laurie Jenson, Marv Forbes and Jon Thompson. As you may have noticed, everyone got game #14 correct, as the game was played on Thursday. As hard as we try, we can't be right all of the time.

Last week's winners:

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| 1. Detroit (41) | 10. Oakland (45) |
| 2. Tampa Bay | 11. Kansas City |
| 3. Denver | 12. Minnesota |
| 4. Pittsburgh | 13. Purdue |
| 5. Washington | 14. Free |
| 6. N.Y. Giants | 15. Colorado |
| 7. San Diego | 16. Georgia Tech |
| 8. Dallas | 17. Iowa |
| 9. N.Y. Jets | 18. Michigan (35) |

Overall leaders after week #4

- Donnie Forbes - 52
Jeremy Latuszek - 51
Rick Anderson - 49
Moe Enos - 48
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Cathy Kniss - 48
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| Game 18 | _____ | _____ |

Tiebreaker 1 (total points scored in game 1) _____

Tiebreaker 2 (total points scored in game 18) _____

Tiebreaker 3 (total points scored in game 9) _____

Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules

- Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Entry blanks without advertisers listed will be invalid.
- One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford Co. Avalanche employees are not eligible.
- Completed entry blanks must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 p.m. Friday before each week's games. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 p.m. Friday. Mail to Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling, MI, 49738.
- Entries must be on an official entry blank as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office.
- Winners may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming a prize.

Weekly Prizes

- *Sports cap--Scheer Motors
- *Mystery gift--Sylvester's
- *\$10 gift certificate--Grayling Glen's Market
- *\$10 gift certificate--Abel Auto Parts
- *Lunch for 2 at Charlie's Country Corner - Fick & Sons
- *\$1 off one lunch - Sawmill
- *Free hat--McLean's Ace Hardware
- *One free lunch, a \$6.95 value--Grayling Holiday Inn
- *Free lube, oil and filter--Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury, Inc.
- *\$50 from the Crawford County Avalanche

Overall Prizes

- *Free lube, oil & filter--Scheer Motors
- *Mystery gift--Sylvester's
- *\$10 gift certificate--Grayling Glen's Market
- *Free lube, oil & filter--Don Nester
- *\$50 off any purchase--Abel Auto Parts
- *\$50 gift certificate--Comfort Center
- *Sunday brunch for two and swim room, a \$50 value--Grayling Holiday Inn
- *Power Driver - DuBois Lumber Co.
- *\$100 and one year free subscription--Crawford County Avalanche

To be a weekly winner:

- Write your prediction for game one on entry form.
- Write the advertiser's name on entry form for game one. All the advertisers must be included.
- Fill out rest of entry form this way including your three tie-breaker predictions (total points scored by both teams).
- Return the entry form by 5 p.m. Friday to the Avalanche. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 p.m. and before 9 a.m. Mail entries must be postmarked Friday or earlier. No late entries accepted. No exceptions.
- The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed.

To win the overall prizes:

- Each time you turn in an entry form you'll receive points for your correct picks. Most games will be worth one point. (All games for week 1 are worth one point each.) Later in the season, certain games will be designated as bonus point games worth more than one point. The biggest bonus point game will be at the last week of the contest.
- You don't have to enter each week to be eligible to win but if you play each week, you'll have more chances to win points.
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Results prove new curriculum affects scores

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Reynolds said. "Our math scores have been steadily improving, while our science scores are below the state average." The new math curriculum has been in place for a few years, while the new science curriculum is just beginning to be implemented in the Crawford AuSable Schools.

In science, one of the areas that was discussed at length at the September board meeting, district fifth grade students scored well below the state average with 11.6 percent reaching proficiency. District eighth grade students scored 3.1 percent points below the state average. Reynolds told the board that officials expect that with full implementation of the revised science curriculum, district science scores will dramatically increase over the next three years.

Grayling Middle School Principal Mike Branch explained to the board members that one of the reasons for the drop in science test scores is the big change in the way the test questions are designed. He said that the science test now focuses on experiments, which is the way the curriculum will have to change.

"We used to be well above the state level in science," Branch said. "The test just recently changed drastically."

Another area that was discussed in-depth at the meeting was the writing results. In writing, district fifth-grade students improved dramatically over 1996 fifth-grade results. While statewide, fifth-grade writing scores increased by 17.8 percent, with 73.4 percent reaching proficiency, district scores improved by 27.1 percent, with 62.7 percent reaching proficiency.

Some of the areas of concerns could be addressed using the fact that the new curriculum, in some subjects, is just being implemented, but one of unexplainable results was received in writing for Frederic Elementary School.

Only 17.9 percent of Frederic Elementary fifth-grade students scored at a proficient level, while Grayling Elementary fifth graders were only one percentage point below the state average, with 72.3 percent reaching proficiency.

Frederic Elementary Principal Pat Nunn said his staff did not celebrate like some of the other district schools

did, due to the writing result. Frederic Elementary teachers will be breaking down the test. Nunn said one staff meeting a month will be devoted to strategies in various areas.

"We are not happy with our writing score, and we will improve it," Nunn said.

Board member Jim Tobin told Nunn, and the rest of the principals, that any problem with the scores is not just their problem, but one for the entire district.

The school district had not given a second-grade test, similar to the MEAP, but last year officials decided to give students a test. AuSable Primary School Principal Barb Mick

said that the school had not given the second-grade test in the past, because it was not in line with the MEAP. Last fall, a new version was released, which was closer to the MEAP, so it was given to students.

In reading, at the second-grade level, about half scored at grade level or above, Mick said. In math, 68 percent scored at or above grade level, which is very good. The science scores also were very good.

"This proves that each test is just that, one test," Mick said. "We did very well in science, while the district did not do as well. That shows that we have to keep in mind that it just is one test."

City receives money from county for recycling

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As a condition involving the litigation, the judge stipulated that the money paid to Crawford County must be used to hire an Environmental Monitoring Official. The board of commissioners have done that, hiring Pat Merrill to the new position.

The remainder of the money was stipulated that it be used specifically for recycling.

During the discussion at the county board level, Long said that is when he recommended that the county give the money to the townships and the city for their recycling use. He pointed out to the other commissioners that the money could then be used for programs like the City of

Grayling's roadside recycling pickup.

After explaining where the money came from, Long presented a check for \$7,928 to the Grayling City council from Crawford County. The payment should be an annual distribution, as long as the landfill is operating.

The county will continue to distribute the money to the municipalities. The breakdown occurs when the salary of the Environmental Monitoring Officials is taken out, then the remainder is divided by each township and the city population.

Mayor Robert Golnick thanked Long and the rest of the county commissioners for the money and all they went through during the time of the landfill sale and resulting litigation.

The only provision on the money from the county to the city and the townships is it must go for some matter involving recycling.

The city council will make the decision on what the money will be used for at a future meeting. One idea that was mentioned could be to use the money to offset the roadside recycling in the city.

In other city businesses, the council members approved a motion to allow the mayor to set up a fact-finding committee to investigate a complaint from city resident Norm Bancroft. Mayor Golnick said the committee would consist of the Grayling Chief of Police Peter Stephan and himself, with City Attorney David Sabin being informed of the matter.

The specific complaint or matters for the fact finding committee were not given at the meeting.

In other matters, the city council approved a resolution of appreciation for 10 years of service by fireman Bryan Klemish. The resolution stated that Klemish is being recognized for giving of himself and his time for community service to the Grayling City and Township Fire Department.

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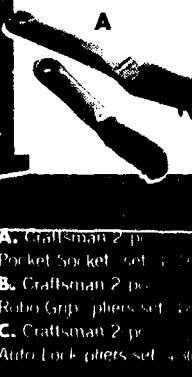
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Soccer continues season of success in only second year of existence

Trip to Mackinac Island ends with a tough 4-2 defeat; Win versus Bay City improves league mark to 4-2-1

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Like anyone, a trip to Mackinac Island can be exciting and fun, but for the Grayling soccer team, the trip was not as fulfilling as the squad had hoped.

Mackinac Island had a team filled with aggressive midfielders and a large defensive line-up, and they took it to the Vikings. Mackinac Island came away from the Sept. 22 battle, with a 4-2 victory.

Grayling inadvertently ended up scoring two of Mackinac Island's four goals in the game.

Mackinac Island controlled the midfield for most of the game, using hard slide tackling. The Island team also had a large defensive unit, consisting of three players at more than 200 pounds. These large defenders stayed back in front of the goal and gave the Viking offense a difficult time. When Grayling players did penetrate the defense, the goal keeper was there to pick up the ball.

The Vikings scored first in the contest, when Eric Thompson drove hard down the right side and crossed the ball in front of the goal. Mike Pappas did a full volley kick, with his left foot hitting the goal post. The Mackinac Island keeper tipped the ball out, but Kyle Langseth got the rebound and put it in the goal.

Mackinac Island scored just before half on a free kick from 30-yards out. The kick was right at goal. A miscommunication between the Grayling keeper and fullback resulted in the score for Mackinac Island.

Mackinac Island scored quickly in the second half, when they went to a four-man offensive line-up and outnumbered the Grayling defense. The Vikings' opposition scored again midway through the second half, when they were awarded a penalty kick for pushing. The Grayling keeper, Jeremy Millikin, made a great lead to stop the kick, but it just made it into the left side of the net.

The team from Mackinac Island scored again on an unlucky break, when a Grayling fullback headed the ball. The ball skimmed off his head, over the keeper and into the goal.

The Vikings started to come to life late in the second half. They did a much better job maintaining the ball and keeping pressure on the goal.

Grayling scored its second goal, when Josh Petrie put in the rebound off the Mackinac Island keeper on a direct free kick from 20 yards out. Langseth had the assist. The Vikings had numerous other chances to catch up in the game, featuring excellent scoring opportunities by Jeremy

Jones, Petrie, Pappas and Langseth. There were eight quality shots that were just wide or high of the goal.

"The team was not mentally prepared for how strong the Mackinac Island team actually was," Coach Karen Langseth said. "I was very pleased when they (Grayling) came on strong in the last 10 minutes of the game and played the way I knew they could."

Following the non-league loss to Mackinac Island, Grayling got back on the winning track by defeating a league foe.

Grayling hosted the Bay City John Glenn team for the second game between the two teams this season on Sept. 24. The first match in Bay City resulted in a 3-3 tie after two sudden-death overtime periods. This time the Vikings took it to John Glenn, earning a 4-0 win.

The Viking defense — Kane Madsen, Josh Brannan, Jeremy Millikin, Josh Niederer and Nate Ross — smothered the John Glenn offense, allowing very few scoring opportunities. The Grayling keepers, Dave Hawkins and Millikin, were not pressed much during the game, as the defense cleared the ball time and again.

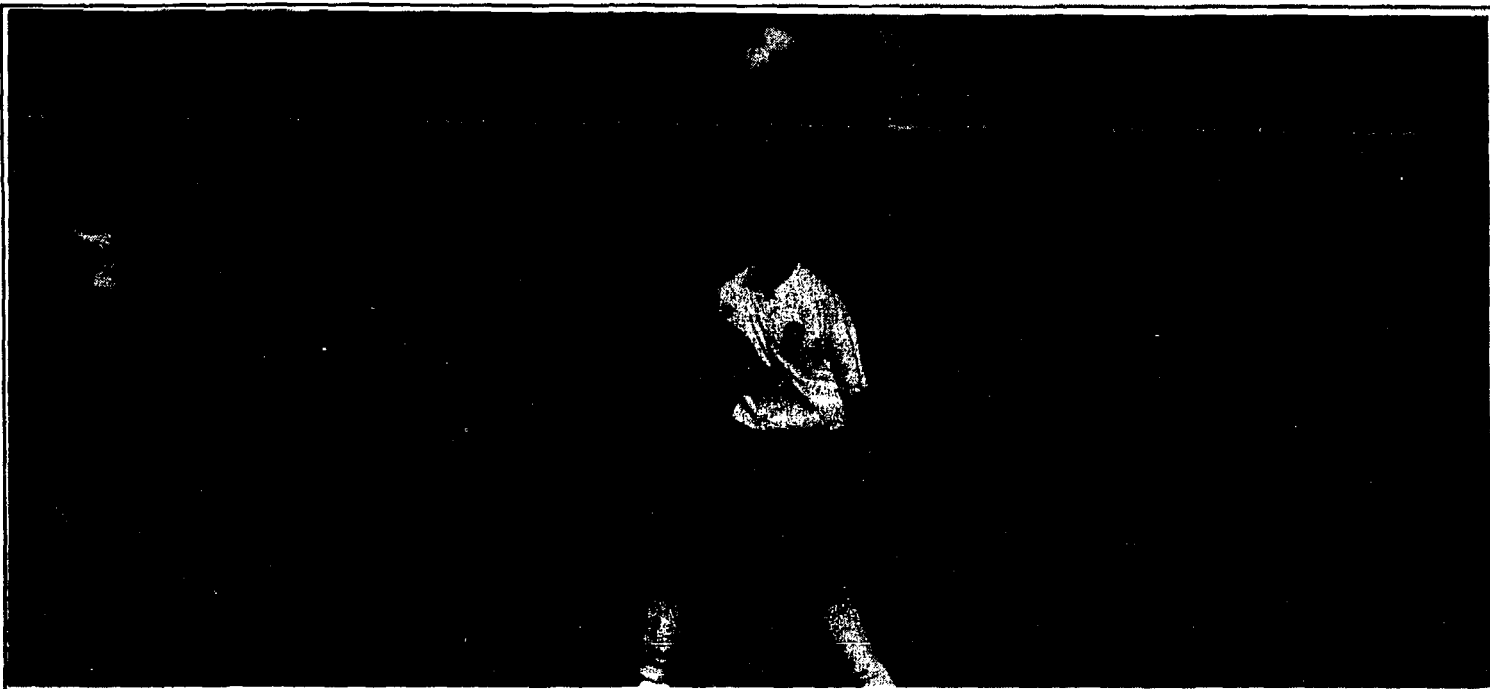
The Grayling midfield — Josh Petrie, Colin Hunter, Ravi Ramaswamy and Derek Gregorich — controlled the ball and prevented any sustained John Glenn attacks. The midfielders played a very aggressive game, using hard slide tackles to regain possession of the ball.

Langseth scored three goals in the game. His first goal came as he beat the keeper, after a perfect heel pass from Jeremy Jones. The second Langseth goal came after Petrie won the ball in midfield and connected on a pass to Langseth, who beat three defenders and shot the ball past the keeper.

The Vikings have been playing the last two games with a key player missing. John Haskel has been out, due to a severe calf muscle strain which came from a collision with the keeper in the Ogemaw Heights game. He is expected to be out for four weeks.

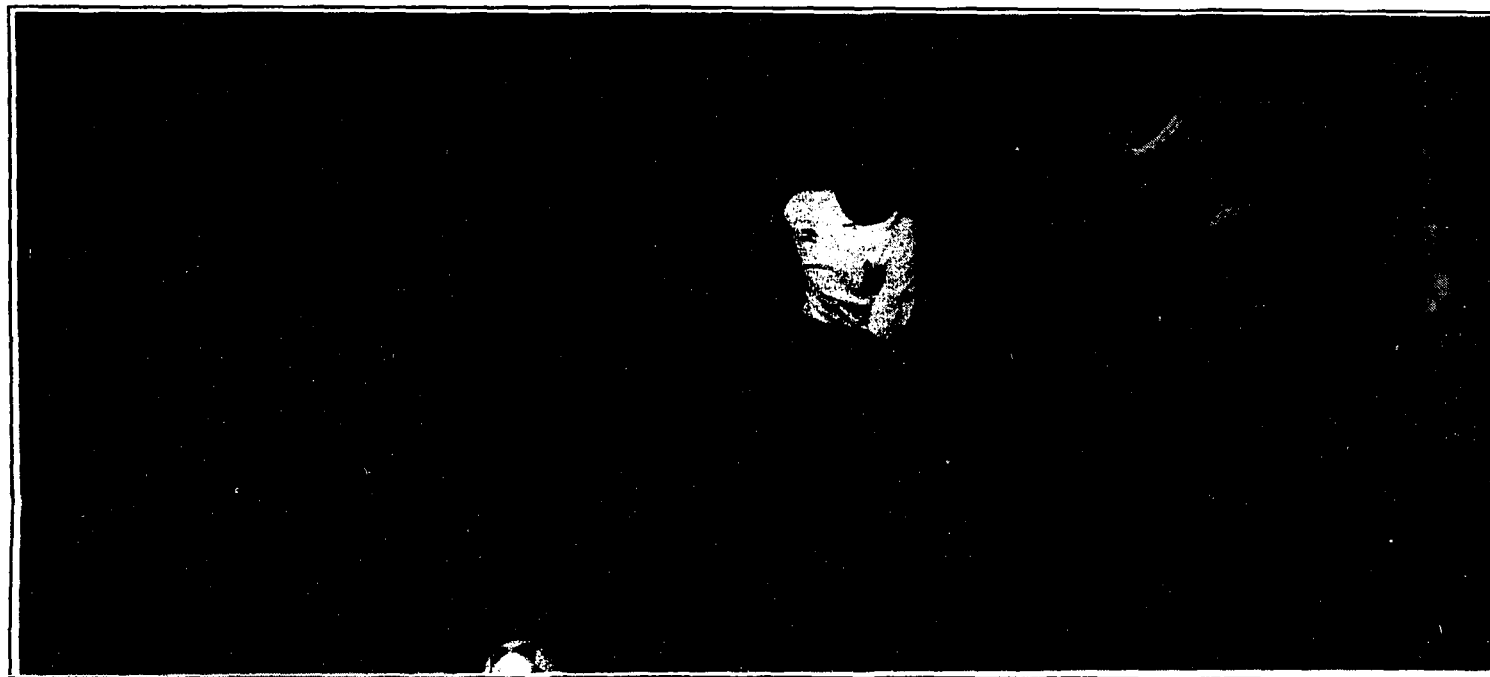
"John Haskel has been having a terrific season," Coach Langseth said. "He has really been missed these last two games. We hope to have him back in time for the start of the playoffs."

Grayling's season record is now 6-3-1 overall and 4-2-1 in conference play.

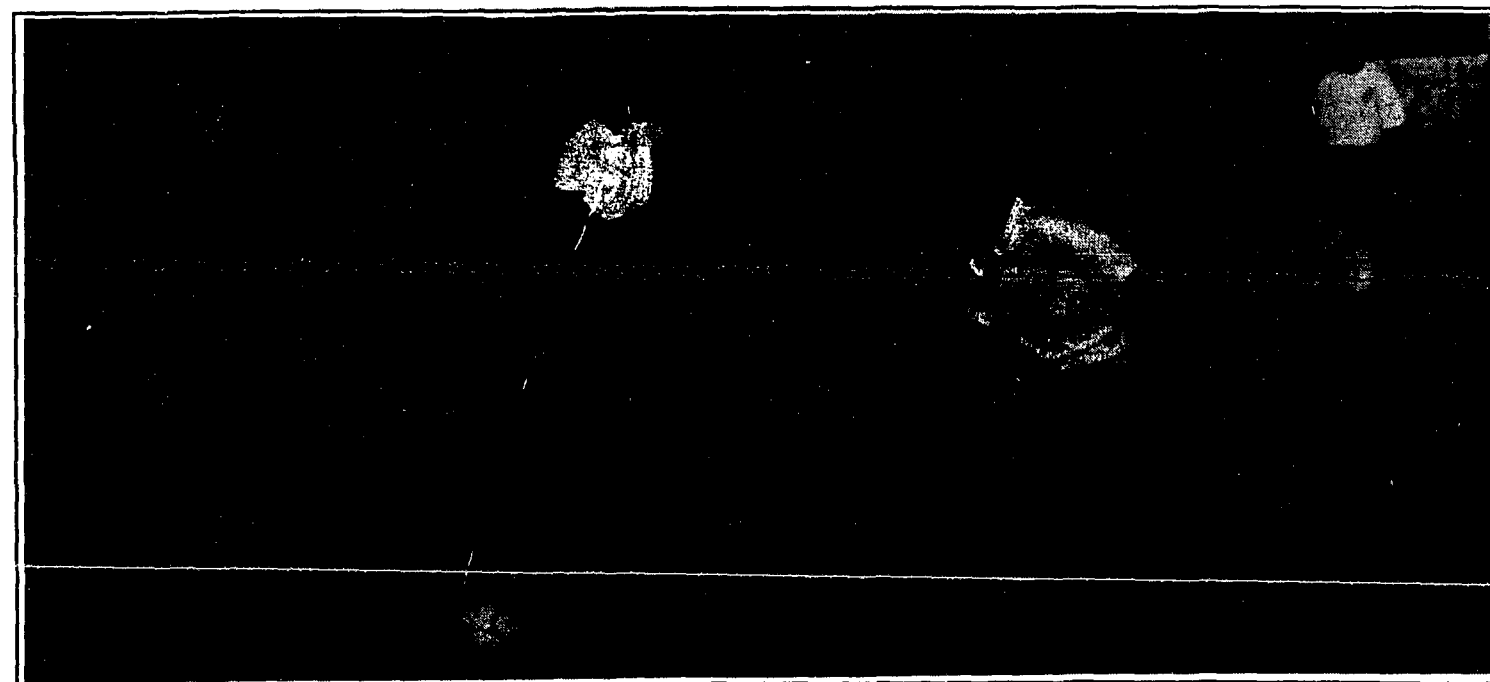


USING YOUR HEAD -- Ravi Ramaswamy (number 8 in white) gets ready to head the ball forward to a teammate in recent action on Grayling's home soccer field. Ramaswamy, the only senior on the young team, not only has been a good player for the second-year squad, but also has provided leadership.

Photos by Eric Gaertner



SPEED KILLS -- Junior Eric Thompson uses his quickness to get around a much larger defender. Thompson and the rest of the Vikings have played against a lot of teams with bigger players, but the Grayling players use their speed to post a 6-3-1 overall record.



DEFENSIVE PLAY -- Sweeper Kane Madsen (number 10 in white) has been one of the major reasons for the drop in the number of shots the Grayling keepers have faced this year. The entire defensive unit has played great all season, preventing a large number of scoring chances for the opposition.



MACKER WINNERS — The team of (from left): Kristy Hulbert, Emily Fox, Carrie Cadeau and Brandy Ritter won first place at the Gus Macker in Sault Ste. Marie.



THE G-GIRLS — This group of local girls took first place at the Grayling Red Hacker, and also placed third at the Sault Ste. Marie Gus Macker. The team consists of (from left), Jenny Wilkins, Brooke Blaauw, Jessica St. Germain and Brie Blaauw.



CHEER MONEY -- Ron Hall, from the Grayling Youth Booster Club, presented a check to the Grayling High School cheerleaders for a camp that was held.

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Varsity Redskins lose close game to Pinconning

The Grayling Redskins were defeated 19-12 by the Pinconning Packers in a back-and-forth contest that left Grayling short at the end. The two evenly matched teams traded leads three times, as penalties and turnovers determined the game's outcome.

After trailing 6-0 in the first quarter, the Redskins scored on a three-yard keeper by quarterback Jimmy Welch. The touchdown was set up by a 17-yard pass to flanker T.J. Johnson and a nine-yard pass to tight end Larry Baynham, Jr.

The offensive line of Ryan Swope, Ricky Riggs, T. J. Rankin, Chris McGuire and Ben Sheldon opened holes for the backs on the first drive leading to the touchdown.

Grayling gained a 12-6 lead in the third quarter on a sparkling pass play from quarterback Chet Wheeler to Johnson. After juggling the pass from Wheeler, Johnson snared the ball as he came down in the end zone. Running backs Nick D'Amour, Juell Joseph and Nate Haskel had key runs in the Redskins' second touchdown drive.

After allowing a second touchdown to Pinconning, the Redskins opened the fourth quarter with the ball on the 30-yard line. However, a broken play fumble gave Pinconning the ball in excellent field position,

and the Packer's scored on a quarterback bootleg run.

Although the Redskins lost on the scoreboard, the coaching staff felt the players gave a tremendous effort and showed they can compete

against the larger schools in the Southern Conference. Grayling's next game is against the Standish Lions on Sept. 28 at 2 p.m. in Pinconning.

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High Series: D. Canfield, 609; T. Kotrash, 579; T. Sheldo, 568.	

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Ginger's	9-3
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Mercy Hospital	7-5
Chemical Bank	6-6
Aunt Betty's	6-6
Custom Interior	5-7
Lady Slippers	4-8
Avalanche	3-9
High Game: J. Hinds, 221; C. Ruley, 198; K. Moshier, 191.	
High Series: J. Hinds, 573; C. Ruley, 521; C. Jones, 501.	

Friday Night Mixed Doubles

Moshier Auto Repair	13-3
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Fick & Sons	10-6
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Charles Country Corner	7-9
AJD Forest Products	6-10
Aunt Betty's	4-12
Sawmill	3-13
Men's High Game: R. Moshier, 187 & 182, M. Campbell, 177; R. Schreiber, 173.	
Men's High Series: R. Moshier, 505; R. Schreiber, 488; M. Sumner, 480.	
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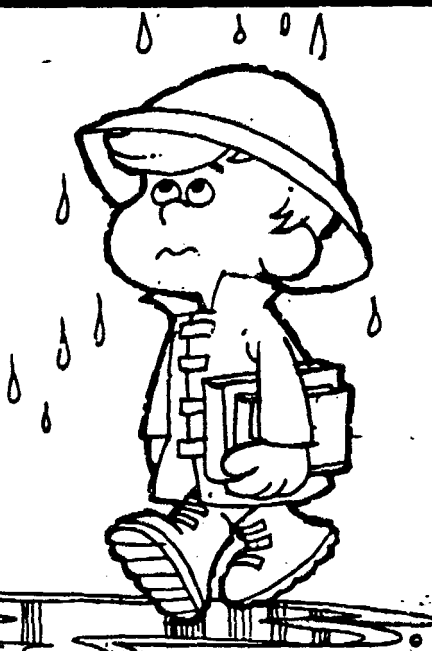
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League's top teams take it to the Grayling golfers

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Two tough league teams came into contests against the Grayling golf team, battling for the top spot in the North East Michigan League. The same two teams took it right to the Vikings, sending Grayling to two losses.

The first tough defeat came at the hands of Bay City John Glenn at the Grayling Country Club. Bay City was undefeated coming into the match and Grayling had only one loss.

John Glenn shot a good round of 165 and the Vikings did not shoot very well, finishing with a team score of 180.

Jerry Roman led the Vikings' score with a round of 39. His score tied him for first-place honors. Travis Hulbert finished in the top five, shooting a round of 44. Rob Lawe and Mike Ostwald rounded out the varsity score, finishing with a 48 and 49 respectively.

The other tough league match came against Saginaw Valley Lutheran on Sept. 25 also played at home. Grayling shot a little better (174), but still lost of Saginaw Valley Lutheran's 165.

Roman ended up second at the meet, shooting a round of 41. Mike Winters and Matt Mitchell both tied for third with 44s. Lawe finished with a score of 45.

In between those two league losses, Grayling won a league match against Standish-Sterling in Standish. The two teams battled on a very hard course, which caused the

scores to rise.

The Vikings pulled away with a 188-198 win. Roman once again led the way with a first-place finish of 40. Lawe was second at the match with a 47. Hulbert finished in fifth place, shooting a round of 49, and Mitchell added a 52 to the team total.

The Grayling golfers played 18 holes during a tournament on Sept. 26, which featured a number of Class A teams. The Vikings came through with a good team score (353), and finished in 10th place out of 25 teams.

The tournament was won by Traverse City Central, and Traverse City West finished second. This shows how tough the competition was.

Grayling Coach Herb Olson was proud of his team for beating some good squads in finishing 10th. The Vikings finished ahead of Gaylord, Sault Ste. Marie and Bay City John Glenn. John Glenn is undefeated in league play, but the Vikings were able to beat them at this tournament.

Roman shot an 18-hole score of 80. He finished in ninth place out of 125 golfers. The rest of the varsity team score consisted of Hulbert (89), Mitchell (91) and Lawe (93).

The Vikings will try to keep the momentum gained at this tournament going, as they prepare for the upcoming state and conference tournaments. Grayling has a busy schedule during the week of Oct. 6, featuring the conference championship and regional action.

The regional and league championship are both played at the West Branch Country Club, which could be an advantage for the Vikings. Olson also added that Grayling usually plays very well at that particular golf course.

Freshman Redskins lose overtime battle to Standish

The Grayling Redskins Freshman II team lost their first game of the season by a score of 26-20 in overtime to the Standish Lions.

Head Coach Schmidt was very happy with the way his team played against a larger and physically bigger Lions squad. Offensive Coach Strohpaal was proud of the offense — especially the way his line played, consisting of Chris Riggs, Trevor Clough, Roy Czapek, Dan Snider and Dustin Partella.

Ryan Schmidt had 178 yards on 20 carries for three touchdowns. Darryl Babbit had 27 yards and scored two extra points.

Gibson Tobin had a total of 28 yards on kick returns and an offensive run. Starting quarterback Travis Gildner

was knocked out of the game for almost two quarters and returned at the end of the game to lead the Redskins to their third touchdown.

Defensive Coach Darryl Babbit was very pleased with the defensive line, too, especially with plays by Matt Nederhoed, Jason Strohpaal, Josh Eagan and lineman Dan Snider, who had 10 tackles. The coach was especially proud of Roy Czapek, who led the team again with 18 tackles, a blocked punt and a kick recovery; and with Trevor Clough, who had a blocked punt recovery.

The Redskins next game is Oct. 5 at the Grayling field at 10 a.m. The freshman II squad plays at noon and the varsity plays at 4 p.m.

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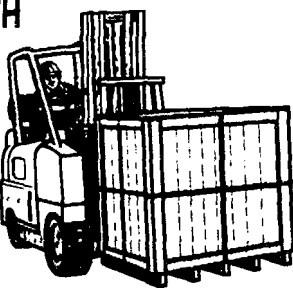
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New league provides unfriendly entrance for football Vikings

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The very tough North East Michigan League has proven to the Grayling football team just how powerful it can be.

The Vikings hosted Standish Sterling and Bay City John Glenn over the last two weeks, and both teams have used their huge size advantage and aggressive style to dominate the home team.

Friday (Sept. 26) night's contest was another example of a very good team getting on a roll, and the Vikings unable to stop it. John Glenn took home a 34-6 win against the Vikings (1-3).

"The league is just what we expected," said Coach Rodney Patterson. "There are a bunch of big, tough, physical teams. They run right at you, right between the tackles. Defensively, we have problems matching up with them."

Patterson pointed out that in the first two game of the season, which Grayling played very well in during close games, the two opponents ran the veer offense. That allowed for the Grayling defense to use its speed against the veer, which is more off tackle and outside running. The league opponents don't use the veer. They just run right at the defense and use their size.

The schedule does not give the Vikings a break, as the next game is against West Branch. Grayling will travel to West Branch on Oct. 3 for the contest.

West Branch is currently ranked third in Class BB in the state rankings. They also made it to the second round of the playoffs last season.

"We are going to see a carbon copy of what we just played against," Patterson said of the way West Branch plays.

In the game against John Glenn, the only points for the Vikings came via the legs of Nate Beckwith. The Grayling quarterback capped a touchdown drive with a rushing touchdown. Beckwith finished with 62-yards rushing.

Beckwith has been throwing the ball well this year, and his receivers have been making some good catches. But on Friday, the Vikings could not get their passing game working.

Running back Jesse Hannum led Grayling's offense with 96-yards rushing on 12 carries. He was named offensive most valuable player and was awarded the "Big Stick Award" by the coaching staff.

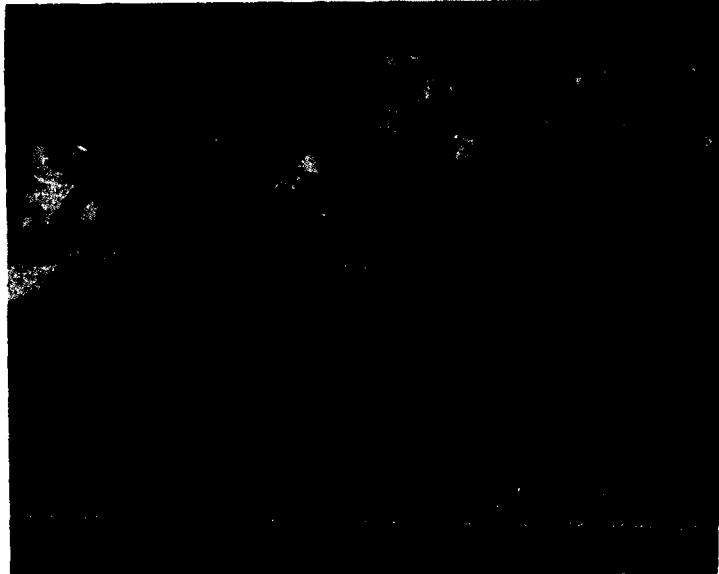
"Jesse is showing true senior leadership," Patterson said. "He is giving 100 percent every time he steps on the field. He not only shows his leadership to the other varsity players, but to our whole program."

The defensive player of the week, Chad Ellis, led the team in tackles with 13. His accomplishment was made even more impressive, because he was playing a new position, nose guard.

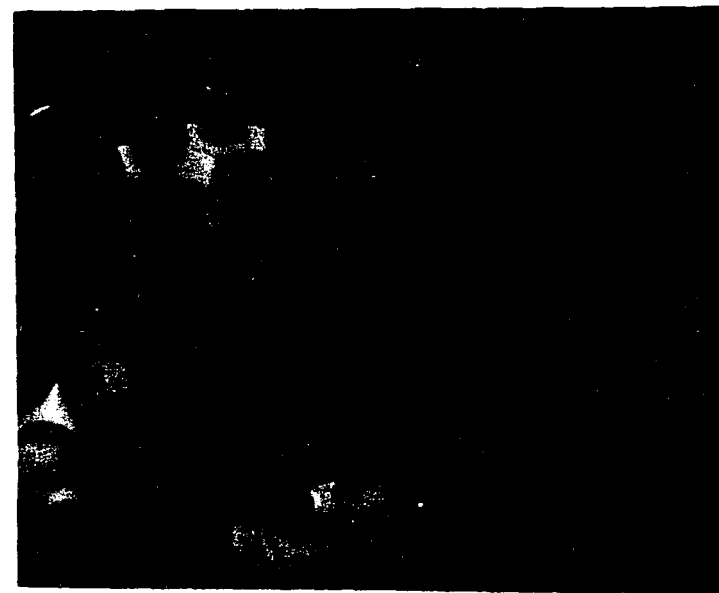
Patterson though his defense played a good ball game.

"We did what we could," the coach said. "Our players played hard and intense on defense. John Glenn was just too big and physical."

"Our kids played as hard as they could and that is all we (coaches) ask," Patterson added.



QUARTERBACK SACKED -- Travis Beckwith gets sacked by a good portion of the opposing team during a recent home game.
Photo by Eric Gaertner



QUICK BACK -- Jesse Hannum (33) has been using his speed to get outside of the defense, leading the team in rushing through the first four games.

Freshmen remain undefeated

By Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School freshmen girls' basketball team is having a successful season with a 6-0 record to begin the 1997 basketball season.

The Vikings defeated Ogemaw Heights West Branch in their first game of the year, by the score of 58-20.

"After we got over our first game jitters, we played excellent defense and our transition game, which cap-

italized on Ogemaw's mistakes, helped give us this victory," said Coach Jim Parker.

The Vikings' second victory was against Gladwin and the Vikings won the game 58-20, and again played good defense and had an effective transition game.

Tawas was the Vikings third victim, defeating them 70-30.

The Grayling defense continued to lead the attack and score points off turnovers by Tawas.

The Vikings then went on to defeat Pinconning 73-33. "This was a total team effort and we had a balanced scoring attack," said Parker.

The Vikings defeated Oscoda 58-19. Four girls scored in double figures and everyone played well, according to Parker.

The most recent contest the Vikings defeated Bay City John Glenn 62-36.

"This was our best game of the season," said Parker.

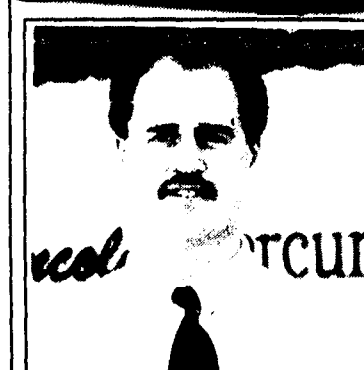
The game was close throughout the first half and half way through the third quarter, but the Vikings' defense and transition games improved and helped propel the Vikings to the victory.

"I was very pleased, because during practice we worked on outside shooting and we shot very well from the outside during the game to help pull into a big lead," said Parker.

"Defensively, our half-court trap with Danielle Niederer and Kristie Hulbert is very effective in causing turnovers. All of the girls are playing good defense," said Parker.



JV ACTION -- Center Ray Trudgeon (51) gets ready to snap the ball to quarterback Levi Burkett (7) in recent junior varsity action.
Photo by Craig Hofman

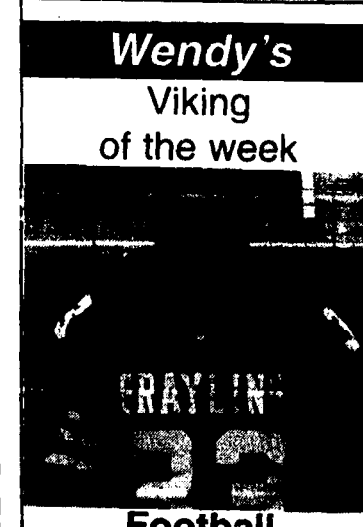


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Wendy's Viking of the week

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Jesse Hannum

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Varsity girls suffer through a tough week

By Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School varsity girls team knew they were in for a tough week against Bay City John Glenn and Standish-Sterling, and they battled hard in both contests but came up short.

The team traveled to Bay City John Glenn on Tuesday, Sept. 23 and came out flat, according to coach Chris Dunckley. The Vikings lost the game by seven points and struggled at the free-throw line all night.

The Vikings also ran into some foul trouble, with four starters with four fouls going into the fourth quarter, and three of those four fouled out early in the fourth quarter.

"I feel we were caught looking ahead to Standish, and Bay City was prepared and took advantage of all of their situations," said Dunckley.

The Vikings had to try to pull themselves together to face a very good Standish-Sterling team on Thursday, Sept. 25.

The Vikings struggled shooting the ball and struggled defensively in the first quarter, and Standish took a 14-7 lead.

Grayling players were also committing a lot of turnovers in the first quarter and would continue to do so throughout the game.

The second quarter did not start out any better for the Vikings. Standish was beating the Vikings down the floor and pulled out to a 23-11 lead. The Vikings played better throughout the rest of the quarter and did not allow Standish to pull away any further.

In the third quarter Grayling improved defensively and offensively, but still could not manage to get any closer. The Vikings struggled with capitalizing on Standish turnovers.

Grayling was down 47-38 at the end of the third.

The Vikings had a chance to move to within six in the early stages of the fourth quarter, but missed free throws and transition baskets off of Standish turnovers helped Standish keep the lead and extend it.

The Vikings lost the game 71-45.

"This was the most exciting game of the year for the girls. We made some critical mistakes and Standish, who is well coached, took advantage of these mistakes," said coach Dunckley.

The Vikings played hard all game

and scrapped and fought, but just could not get the breaks they needed to get back into the contest.

The leading scorer for the Vikings was Brandy Ritter with 19 points. Ritter was nine-for-10 from the free-throw line.



IN THE PAINT -- The Vikings have been playing good basketball in the paint. Brie Blaauw goes up for the shot at a recent home game.

Photo by Craig Hofman

JV continues to chalk up the wins

By Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School junior varsity basketball team improved their record to 7-1, with victories over Bay City John Glenn and Standish-Sterling.

The Vikings traveled to Bay City on Tuesday, Sept. 23, and came away with a 36-24 win.

Grayling came out in the first half and played tentatively on offense, and only managed nine points in the first half.

Fortunately, the Viking defense held Bay City to only 12 points in the first half.

"We did a great job defensively, holding a team that was undefeated to only 12 points in each half," said Coach Tom Trudgeon.

The Vikings fired up their offense in the second half and scored 27 points to win the contest.

Kathy Wyman and Mika Sumner played good all-around games.

On Thursday, Sept. 25, the Vikings took on Standish-Sterling at home, and defeated them 42-39.

"We came out in the first quarter and opened up a 22-8 lead, but we did not maintain our intensity and allowed Standish-Sterling to climb

back into the game," said Trudgeon.

Sumner was the leading scorer with 14 points, and Melanie Paxton had a strong game.

The Vikings are undefeated in conference and, according to Trudgeon, "the team has not allowed opponents in the conference to score over 40 points and that defense is contributing greatly to the victories."

Girls' tennis shows improvement

By Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School girls' tennis team is continuing to improve every match they play.

The girls played Cadillac junior varsity on Tuesday, Sept. 23, and almost pulled off the match victory. The Vikings lost three matches to four.

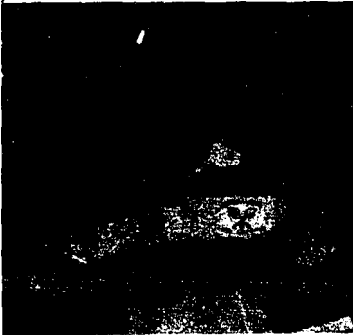
Erin Mills won at number one singles, 6-2, 6-3. Chris Floriano won at number two singles, 6-1, 6-0. Kim Hartman and Jean Zelek also won at number two doubles, 6-7, 7-6, 6-4.

The Vikings had a chance to win the match, when Tammy Straight and Colby Davis went into a tie breaker in a three-set match, but could not pull off the victory.

"The girls are showing improvement. We lost to Cadillac earlier in the year 7-0. The girls are improving slowly, but you can definitely see a difference," said coach Tom Mills.

The Vikings also played two very powerful tennis teams — Traverse City Central and Traverse City St. Francis. The Vikings lost both contests 7-0, but against St. Francis the girls tripled their games won from the last meeting.

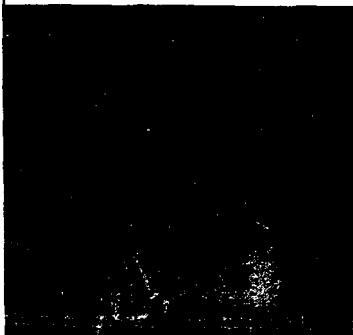
Wendy's Viking of the week



Tennis Erin Mills

Erin Mills was chosen Viking of the Week for her victories at #1 singles, and for her continued hard work.

Wendy's Viking of the week



Girls Basketball Brandy Ritter

Viking freshman Brandy Ritter was chosen Viking of the Week for her aggressive play and hard work throughout the early part of the season.



FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

Battle back against bursitis

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LEGAL ACTION

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MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Karen A. MacDonald, a single person to United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee, dated October 22, 1976 and recorded on October 26, 1976 in Liber 156, on Page 107, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the BANKERS TRUST AS TRUSTEE for the Rural Housing Trust 1987-1, as assignee by an assignment dated November 19, 1987 which was recorded on November 25, 1987, in Liber 270, on Page 300, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Nine Thousand and Three Hundred One And 34/100 dollars (\$9,301.34), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at

public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on November 12, 1997.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lots One (1) and Two (2), Block Twenty (20) Roffee's Addition to the Village of Grayling, a subdivision of part of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 7, T26N, R3W, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 page 11, Plats, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 months(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 2, 1997
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STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD RE-NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE ON FORECLOSURE

Case No. 96-3995-CH (M)
 RUSSELL A. BROWN and
 MARY E. BROWN,
 Plaintiffs,

v.
 MICHAEL RADLICK,
 Defendant.
 Timothy L. Haring (P29124)
 Jonathan R. Moothart (P40678)
 BOWERMAN, DROSTE, BOWDEN,
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RE-NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE ON FORECLOSURE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above-captioned litigation on November 8, 1996 against Defendant, MICHAEL RADLICK, and in favor of Plaintiffs, RUSSELL A. BROWN and MARY E. BROWN, in the amount of \$11,466.17 and pursuant to that Judgment, I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder at public auction on **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1997** at the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan at 1:00 p.m., the following described real property situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, to wit:

PARCEL #13: Being a part of Section 19, T26N, R2W, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: commencing at the SW corner of said Section 19 for Point of Beginning; thence N 1 degrees 01 feet 30 inches E along the Section line, 444.26 feet; thence S 89 degrees 26 feet 40 inches E, 986.95 feet; thence S 0 degrees 10 feet 20 inches E, 443.5 feet; thence N 89 degrees 29 feet 20 inches W along the Section line, 993.7 feet to Point of Beginning and contains 10.09 acres of land. Subject to a 33.0 foot easement for ingress and egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities over the Westerly side thereof. **KNOWN AS KNEFF LAKE ESTATES.**

The period of redemption shall be six months from the date of sale.

This Notice is being reissued to correct a typographical error on the Notice of Sale of Real Estate on Foreclosure which was issued on July 31, 1997 in this matter.

Dated: August 18, 1997

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SYNOPSIS GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS September 10, 1997

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Medler, Melvin Nunn, Ruth O'Mara, Monica Ashton, Terry Wright.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: David Brundage, Tony Lupp, George & Mildred Fenton, Bob McDowell, Virginia Taylor, Diane Monks, Lyndell Robinson, Frank Emdt.

Supervisor Wright opened the scheduled PUBLIC HEARING for Private Road Maintenance Special Assessment District for Shangri-la Subdivision at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to receive and review public comment regarding the necessity for the renewal of snowplowing, gravel and grading maintenance of private roads, Sunset Strip, Peaceful Vista and Blueberry Hill within Shangri-la Subdivision, Section 17, T26N, R2W.

Estimate is on file from current contractor, Jack Millikin, Inc., for future five year period of \$6,000.00 per year. Current assessment is \$5,000.00. Property owners currently pay \$102.04 per lot per year. Change of contractor or method of assessment may be initiated by the property owners by presenting alternative bids or method of assessment to the Township Supervisor prior to the tentative Assessment Roll being prepared for hearing.

Correspondence & Comment:

Dan Stocker: Roads need more gravel and water hole in front of Duncans needs to be filled.

Steve Marciniak: Against assessing non-resident property owners with no dwelling. Cost should be less than \$5,000.00 per year.

Robert McDowell: Millikin's doing good job overall but would like to see a yearly accounting of money spent. Roads need more gravel.

George Fenton, Sr.: In favor of continuation of the road maintenance district.

Tony Lupp: Concern over denial by postmaster of extended delivery into the subdivision. Postmaster cited that road not two car widths wide in some areas, hill on Sunset Strip is a problem both summer and winter. Millikin's may be contacted to discuss if these specific concerns can be handled.

1. Motion by Ashton, support by Medler, to close Shangri-la public hearing and open scheduled PUBLIC HEARING for S. Horseshoe Trail maintenance hearing. All ayes, motion carried.

Supervisor explained that S. Horseshoe Trail (N. of E. M-72), was formerly known as N. Horseshoe Trail Private Road Special Assessment District for Road Maintenance. The road name has changed due to the 911 numbering system. The road is located between Sections 9, 10, 15 & 16 of T26N, R2W.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive and

review public comment regarding the necessity of renewal of the Special Assessment District for Maintenance for an additional five year period.

Estimate from Jack Millikin, Inc., current contractor, for the future five year assessment is \$6,000.00. Current assessment is \$5,523.00 which breaks down to \$92.75 per frontage owner and \$70.00 per non-frontage owner using S. Horseshoe for access. Estimate includes gravel, grading and snow plowing.

Correspondence & Comments:
 Emile P. Gross: \$6,000.00 per year too high. The road no longer needs gravel.

Philip King: Millikin's does a good job. In favor of renewal.

Guy Klender: Satisfied with road maintenance for past five years. Agree to hiring Jack Millikin for next five years.

David Brundage, representing Bonnie Brundage Jones, David J. Brundage and Margaret Brundage Breed: Assessment would be more equitable if done by front footage. Another petition should be circulated to all property owners. Competitive bidding process should be used. Use Shaw Park Road access, not N. Horseshoe Trail.

Rita Watts: She and husband in favor of continued maintenance. Not concerned about additional cost and pleased with the work Millikin's does on the road.

Margaret Lee: Good job on maintenance but would like dust control.

Lyndell Robinson: Continue assessment.

It was noted by Clerk that property owners involved initiate the original project by circulating a petition which requires 51% of signatures of owners of frontage on a particular road in order to be accepted by the Township Board. This done, the Board schedules a public hearing of necessity, notice of which is published twice in the Crawford County Avalanche and also sent by first class mail to each property owner of record with frontage on the road in question or using same for access to their parcels. If necessity of the district is approved after the first public hearing, a second is scheduled to review the Special Assessment Roll. The same notification procedure is followed.

Supervisor noted that it is advised that property owners designate one of their own to act as liaison with the contractor and the township. Alternative bids or changes in assessment may be initiated by property owners prior to approval of the tentative Special Assessment Roll.

2. Motion by O'Mara, support by Nunn, to close N. Horseshoe Trail Public Hearing and open scheduled PUBLIC HEARING for Diamond Drive (formerly known as Pine Ridge Road) Private Road Special Assessment District for Maintenance. All ayes, motion carried (7:35 p.m.).

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive and review public comment regarding the necessity for renewal of Diamond Drive Private Road Special Assessment District for Maintenance. The road is located in Sections 22 & 23 of T26N, R2W off Chase Bridge Road.

The estimate from Jack Millikin, Inc., current contractor, is \$2,400.00 for the next five years, which is no change from current assessment. Twenty-two parcels are assessed at \$109.09 per year.

Correspondence & Comments
 Eldore Klender: Millikin's built a very good road, also doing an excellent job of maintaining it

summer and winter. I vote yes on renewing his contract.

Lawrence C. Jones: I have been completely satisfied with the road service for the past five years. I feel that the contract should be renewed with Jack Millikin, Inc. for the next five years.

Tony Tarkowski: Non-resident property owner. Improvement of road over last five years is remarkable, has increased value of property. Continue snowplowing and maintenance.

Frank Emdt: In favor of continuing maintenance.

3. Motion by Ashton, support by O'Mara, to close Diamond Drive Public Hearing and open regular meeting of the Grayling Township Board. All ayes, motion carried.

Supervisor Wright called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Grayling Township Board to order at 7:50 p.m.

Motion by Nunn, support by O'Mara, to approve minutes of August 12, 1997, as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report for August was read and placed on file.

CORRESPONDENCE: (No action required) AuSable Valley Youth Service Bureau, 8-26-97: Thank you and program report; Crawford AuSable School District Board Hearings, 8-14-97 & 8-18-97; Crawford County Board of Comm. minutes, 8-5-97.

BUSINESS:

4. Motion by Nunn, support by O'Mara, to amend the agenda to allow consideration of action regarding private road maintenance special assessment districts on which public hearings were held earlier this evening. All ayes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Nunn, support by Medler, to create (re-new) the Special Assessment District for Maintenance of Shangri-la Subdivision, authorize the Supervisor to draft the tentative assessment roll and schedule a public hearing to review said roll for Tuesday, October 14, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Nunn, support by Medler, to create (re-new) the Special Assessment District for Maintenance of S. Horseshoe Trail (N. of E. M-72), authorize the Supervisor to draft the tentative assessment roll and schedule a public hearing to review said roll for Tuesday, October 14, 1997, at 7:15 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

7. Motion by Nunn, support by Medler, to create (re-new) the Special Assessment District for Maintenance of Diamond Drive (formerly Pine Ridge Road), authorize the Supervisor to draft the tentative assessment roll and schedule a public hearing to review said roll for Tuesday, October 14, 1997, at 7:30 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

8. Melvin Nunn explained the Renaissance Program at Grayling High School which rewards students for perfect attendance and good grades with discounts and coupons from local businesses. Motion by Nunn, support by Medler, that the Grayling Township Board support the concept of the Renaissance Program in the Crawford AuSable School District. All ayes, motion carried.

9. Paul Olson, representing Michigan Township Participating Plan, outlined township's various insurance coverage and limits for renewal of policy for 97-98. Coverage has been upgraded to include recycling center. Motion by Nunn, support by O'Mara, to re-new insurance package with Michigan Township Participating Plan with the addition of the Kubota Tractor purchased in August 1997. All ayes, motion carried.

10. Pete Potterpin, representing P.K. Housing & Management, Inc. Board on proposed multi-family housing project on Rolla Street (N. of Upper Lakes Trail). The company has petitioned for a re-zoning from C-1 to R-2 and a Conditional Use Permit for 48 apartment units. Negotiations have begun with the City of Grayling for sewer and water hookup. If project materializes they will be requesting a tax abatement.

11. Motion by Nunn support by O'Mara, to re-appoint Walter Walsh as Grayling Township representative on the Grayling Recreation Authority Board. All ayes motion carried. Mr. Walsh reported the purchase of a new trail groomer, mapping and widening of ski trails and seeding of the ball field.

12. Supervisor's Report: Wright read a letter from Level II Assessor, Curt Marshall, requesting that temporary seasonal assistant in the assessing department, Irene Schultes, be considered for permanent part time employment, three days a week (21 hr.), in the assessing department. Subsequent to discussion a motion was made by Nunn, supported by O'Mara, to continue the temporary position in the assessing department through October 17, 1997. All ayes, motion carried. Supervisor was requested to have proposed permanent part-time assessing assistant job description and costs ready for discussion at the October 3, 1997, work session.

13. Supervisor's Report: Wright reported that four Grayling Township Roads have been scheduled for resurfacing in September. They are McIntyre's Landing, Danish Landing, Matilda Drive and Eagle Point. The Road Commission for Crawford County has secured \$103,000. of SB 225 funds to complete the 2.9 miles of road at no cost to Grayling Township. However, the Road Commission is requesting a contribution of \$30,000. to stabilize the shoulders of the 2.9 miles with gravel to extend the life of the surface improvements. No action taken. Supervisor and Clerk will attend September 18, 1997, Road Commissioners meeting to obtain more information to be discussed at October 3, 1997, work session.

14. Consensus that Supervisor advertise for snowplowing bids for compactor and township hall for 1997-98. Multiple year bids welcome.

15. Building Department Report, Ferrigan, was read and placed on file.

16. Motion by Nunn, support by O'Mara, to approve payment of bills on vouchers 18881 through 18923, 18962-18965, Guardian Dental \$418.40, Election Inspectors fees for 9-9-Spec. Elec \$1032.17, Board and Comm. fees \$607.00 and Liquor Inspection fees \$90.00 for a grand total of \$47,011.43. Ayes: five, nays: none, motion carried.

17. Motion to adjourn by O'Mara, support by Medler, carried. All ayes.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.

Grayling Township Clerk

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLANNING COMMITTEE

Crawford County is accepting applications for the Solid Waste Planning Committee. Interested parties should contact Pat Merrill at 348-2841, ext. 258. The following persons are needed:

- Four representatives of the solid waste management industry.
- One representative from an industrial waste generator.
- Two representatives from environmental interest groups from organizations that are active within the county.
- One representative from county government. All government representatives shall be elected officials or a designee of an elected official.
- One representative from township government.
- One representative from city government.
- One representative from the regional solid waste planning agency.
- Three representatives from the general public who reside within the county.

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE SNOWPLOWING BID

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP will receive bids for the snowplowing of Lovells Township Hall, Fire Hall and Dump sites #1 and #2 for the 1997-1998 season until 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 14, 1997 at the Township Hall offices.

Evidence of insurance must accompany all bids.

Snowplowing specifications can be obtained at the Township Hall between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

The township board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to award the bid to other than low bidders, and in general to make the award in any manner deemed by it, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of Lovells Township.

Cheryl Hopp,
 Lovells Township Clerk

-25-2

REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Grayling Township Board of Trustees will be accepting bids for the plowing of snow during the 1997-98 and 1998-99 winter seasons until 12 noon Friday, October 10th, 1997.

All bids must be for plowing snow at BOTH the Grayling Township Hall, located at 2090 Viking Way, and for the Grayling Township Recycling Center located on North Down River Road.

Bids must be based on keeping both these facilities open during normal business hours for each:

- Business hours for the township hall are 8:30 am until 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
- Business hours for the recycling center are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 pm until 8 pm, and Saturdays from 9 am until 4 pm excluding holidays.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and will be opened at the monthly board of trustees meeting scheduled at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, October 14, 1997. Unsealed and incomplete bids will not be considered.

Grayling Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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City of Grayling

REGISTRATION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF GRAYLING

The office of the City Clerk will be open from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm each weekday for receiving applications for registration for the regular City Election to be held on

Tuesday, November 4, 1997

And From

**8:30 am to 4:30 pm on
Monday, October 6, 1997
The Last Day To Register**

In order to register, an elector must have the following qualifications as of the date of election:

1. Be a citizen of the United States.
2. At least 18 years of age.
3. A resident of Michigan for at least 30 days.
4. A resident of the City by October 6, 1997.

Any questions regarding your registration will be answered by calling 348-2131.

Jerry W. Morford
 City Clerk
 City of Grayling
 103 James Street

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FEATURES

ASTROSCOPES

For The Week Of Sept. 28-Oct. 4

ARIES March 21-April 20

Your incredible fire and enthusiasm make you a terrific candidate for a leadership position this week. You're not much of a diplomat, however, so politics may not be the best way to get what you want. Start planning for something you've wanted for a long time.

TAURUS April 21-May 21

This is a better time for play than for work. A draining event in the recent past means you need to recharge your batteries. If you're able to take a mini vacation, while your brain is on idle, it just might cook up some ideas that take off in a completely new direction.

GEMINI May 22-June 21

Someone who ordinarily strikes you as completely off base has a wonderful idea. Be sure you keep an open mind or you could miss out on a real gem. Setting goals today makes your achievements multiply for tomorrow. Stick to your schedule, and you'll go far.

CANCER June 22-July 22

This is not a good time for a shaky career move. If you're feeling really unsure, then you should concentrate instead on developing new family relationships or mending broken or damaged ones. Your experience suggests a different approach to a new problem.

LEO July 23-August 23

A high social life could be your cue to make a new friend. A new activity or group of people offers interesting possibilities. Don't be afraid to expand your horizons. Just take a deep breath and accept everything that life has to offer. An irresponsible person craves attention from you.

VIRGO August 24-September 22

Intense pressure at work has you feeling a bit unhappy. Use an unorthodox method of relieving stress, and you'll be surprised at how much better you feel. A small favor that you do this week for someone will make a big impression on that person.

LIBRA September 23-October 23

Someone who won't take no for an answer really has your best interests at heart, so hear him or her out. A situation that seems to be worsening is really only temporary. A stiff upper lip, combined with the support of an old and true friend, is your best strategy.

SCORPIO October 24-November 22

Your fierce attraction and personal magnetism are at an all time high this week. Use some caution, not to say discretion, when it comes to close encounters of a personal nature. Someone might be out for a relationship that's too intense even for you! Take it slow.

SAGITTARIUS November 23-December 21

For great advice that won't cost a red cent, look to an older person. To improve your mood, try eating better and spending more time outdoors. If your schedule won't allow even this, then you may want to think about rearranging the demands on your time.

CAPRICORN December 22-January 20

Something big this week could turn out to be either tons of fun or a complete pain in the neck. The difference is all in the planning. Remember, measure twice, cut once. This weekend, take some time to show down and smell the last of the summer flowers.

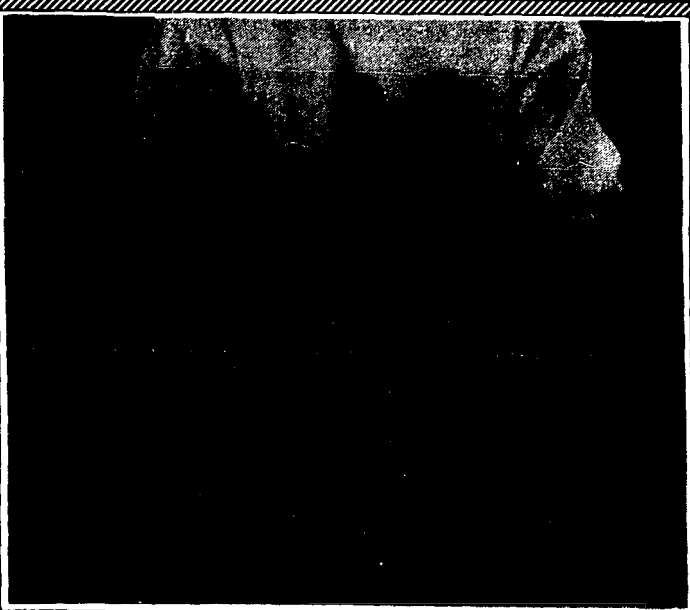
AQUARIUS January 21-February 18

A strong yearning for something—a place or person—makes it difficult to concentrate this week. Try to break through the distractions to discover a startling talent on an artistic level. Technological things cause plenty of small problems, but no major disasters attend them.

PISCES February 19-March 20

If you're feeling neglected, try the direct approach. Once you overcome your initial shyness, about asking for something you may be amazed by what sort of response you receive. Don't allow yourself to be held responsible for another's mistake.

For Entertainment Purposes Only



HOME NEEDED -- There are two litters of puppies ready to be adopted. One litter consist of Husky-Shepherd mix, and the others are Beagle mix. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

CHEESY BROWN RICE AND BLACK EYE PEAS (8 servings)

2 t. Margarine
1 Small Clove Garlic, Finely Chopped
2 T. Chopped Green Onion
1/4 c. Thinly Sliced Celery
1 1/2 c. Instant Brown Rice
1 c. Frozen Blackeye Peas
1 can (13 3/4 oz.) Lower Sodium Chicken Broth
1 cup (4 oz.) Shredded Farmer Cheese

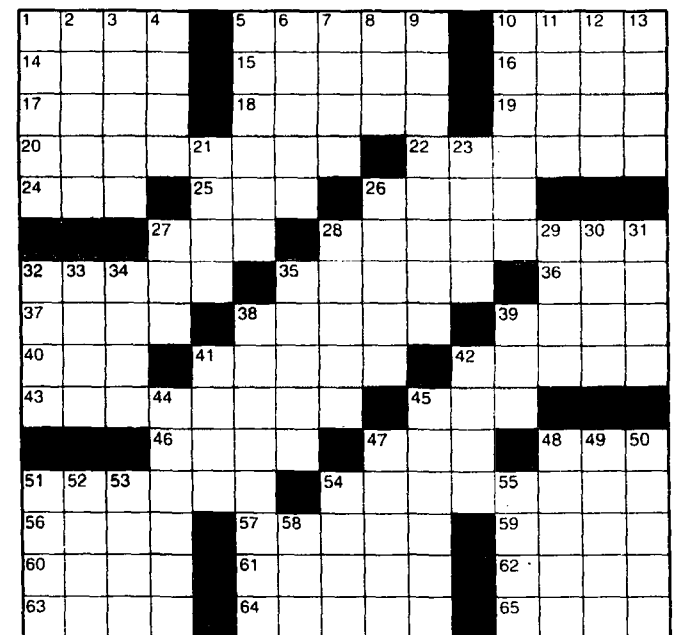
Nutrition Information (per serving):
165 calories, 7g protein, 6g fat, 15mg cholesterol, 22g carbohydrates, 266mg sodium.

Having a variety of side dishes to keep menus interesting can be a bigger challenge than choosing the entree. Cheesy Brown Rice and Blackeye Peas is a recipe that would be equally delicious served with chicken, beef or fish. Microwave recipe can be ready in under 20 minutes and the ingredients are easy to keep on hand.

1. Measure margarine, garlic, onion and celery into 1 1/2-quart round glass casserole or glass mixing bowl. Microwave at HIGH (100%) for 30 seconds. Stir. Microwave at HIGH 30 seconds longer.
2. Stir in rice, peas and chicken broth. Cover and microwave at HIGH for 10 minutes, stirring once. Stir in cheese. Let stand, covered, 5 minutes. Serve.



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1. Horde
5. Questioner
10. Vacillate
14. ... boy!
15. Orated
16. Rickey ingredient
17. Newspaper paragraph
18. Vigor
19. Diva Gluck
20. Continuing a subscription
22. Clergyman
24. Sold-out sign
25. Ending for Brooklyn or Vietnam
26. Hosiery fiber, once
27. Tom or bob follower
28. Abhorred
32. Lawbreaker
35. Irrigation ridge
36. Fish delicacy
37. Imitated
38. Schleps
39. Thomas or Horace
40. Even the score
41. Ottoman's weapon
42. Squiffed
43. Feisty fighter
45. Take on Sugar Ray Leonard
46. Professional charges
47. Made a hole
48. Peggy Sue ... Married

DOWN

51. Bronze medals
54. Dover's state
56. Icicle holder
57. Type of bikini
59. Heron's kin
60. Preholiday nights
61. Poet Lizette Woodworth
62. Mass
63. Interlock
64. Affirmative votes
65. Howard and Follett
28. Hold back
29. Goller's bane
30. Geologic time divisions
31. Say no to
32. Dietary taboos
33. Monumental
34. Villain's look
35. Sites for studs
36. Needlework hanging
39. Baker's shortcut
41. Went fast
42. Titus's threads
44. From scratch
45. Protrusions
47. Dim-witted
48. Lombard's spouse
49. Pursuer of the Pleiades
50. Exams
51. Pour
52. Own
53. Currier and
54. Bucks' mates
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ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago October 3, 1974

The Grayling Free Methodist congregation will dedicate their new parsonage on Sunday, October 6, 1974. The parsonage is located at 129 Woodleaf Drive, Grayling. The Rev. C. W. Koerner, Superintendent of the Western Area of the East Michigan Conference will be in charge of the dedication service.

A new Grayling area community choir will be meeting this fall if enough adults are interested in participating. Under the direction of Jan Olson, the new school choir director, the group will be preparing for a Christmas concert.

The heavy demand for Bear Archery equipment that has been taking place recently has the Grayling based manufacturing bursting at the seams. Sales increases of over 40% in each of the last two years are placing increased demands on the available production space.

Alan E. Beatty, Executive Vice President of Bear stated, "Frankly, we've simply run out of room in our Grayling plant in which to expand and have found it necessary to move our leather manufacturing operation to a plant that the Corporation already owns at Niles, Michigan. Our Bowstring manufacturing is also located in Niles."

Classified ad reads: 100 Beautiful ft. of river frontage is at your front door. Partial basement, extra large livingroom w/ picture windows, furnished w/ stove, refrigerator, fireplace & carpeting. All for \$18,900.

The annual Punt-Pass-Kick program co-sponsored by the Grayling Booster Club and Bill Hart Ford, was again a very successful event even though the weather was seasonably cold. The winners were: 8 Year Age Group: Paul Hamlin, first; David Dean, second; Scott Decrick, third. 9 Year Age Group: Monty D'Amour, first; David Brooks, second; David Mills, third. 10 Year Age Group: John O'Mara, first; Ted Methner, second; James

Prosser, Jr., third. 11 Year Age Group: John Junttila, first; Kevin Dean, second; Duane Bloos, third. 12 Year Age Group: Steve Dean, first; Harold Hatfield, second; Trent Bigler third. 13 Year Age Group: Brad Peterson, first; Todd Duncley, second; Joe St. John, third. The first place winners in each age group will advance to Gaylord, October 12th, to the zone competition which will be held at the Gaylord High School at 9:00 a.m.

46 Years Ago October 4, 1951

An infant daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Pond at Mercy Hospital on September 30th.

About 1,500 Norway Pine seedlings were planted in the Grayling High School Forest last Thursday and Friday by students.

Miss Margrethe Nielson spent the weekend at East Lansing at the home of Mrs. Nevel Pearson, where she attended the 27th annual reunion of the N.B.B.O.'s Club which was organized in Grayling in 1924.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller (Joan Thompson) announce the arrival of a baby daughter on September 14th in Tacoma, Washington. She weighed eight pounds and eight ounces. The happy grandparents are the Grant Thompsons and Harry Millers.

69 Years Ago October 4, 1928

The October term of Circuit Court will convene Tuesday with Judge Guy E. Smith presiding. A list of petit jurors drawn for this term are as follows: George Wolf, Jay O'Dell, E. G. Shaw, Charley Miller, Jay Skinner, Alvin M. Scott, Ernest John, Albert Lewis, Daniel Hoesli, A. R. Caid,

William Bigham, Harry Souders, Martin Joseph, Norman Fisher, Peter Lovely, Alfred Nephew, Arthur Howse, Norton Williams, Samuel Dean, Florah Barber, John Surday, Clarence Brown, Hemming Peterson and Russell A. Stevens.

Mrs. Fern Feldhauser, Mrs. Pankow, president, Mrs. Emma Knibbs, Mrs. Carrie Feldhauser, Mrs. Florence Wakeley and Mrs. Williams, national picket attended the Ladies National Leagues 27th annual national convention held in Saginaw September 25th and 26th.

A daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Chappel, Tuesday, September 25th.

Miss Maxine Collen has taken over the beauty parlor business of Mrs. Minnie Daugherty in the Shoppington Hotel Building.

Mrs. George Burke is directing the plans for their new home on Chestnut Street on the property where the Cooper home burned. William Moshier and son have nearly completed the foundation and N. C. Nielson contractor of Tawas City, former resident here, arrived Wednesday to start work on the upright.

92 Years Ago October 5, 1905

We learn that S. A. Robinson lost his sawmill and singles one day last week by fire.

D. Raymond of Beaver Creek has got to build larger barns or let his hay stay out all winter. B. F. Sherman of Maple Forest was in town the last of the week with a big load of produce, happy over his bouncing crops and escape from frost injury.

Archie Howse was in from his Maple Forest farm Saturday. He says his threshing machine has been running better than ever for five weeks and it is not through yet. Oats yield 40 to 65 bushels and wheat from 20 up.

FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

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ANSWERS: FOUR AND SIX

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Precip	U.S.
9/24	58	51		Grayling
9/25	64	26	0.03	Grayling
9/26	66	27		Grayling
9/27	67	38		Grayling
9/28	67	36		Grayling
9/29	69	37	0.07	Grayling
9/30	66	49	0.47	Grayling

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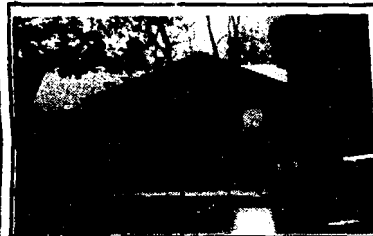
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TALKING HOUSE
 IN THE CITY This well-maintained home offers 1,243 sq. ft., three bedrooms, one bath, large living room, new kitchen cabinets and countertops. New appliances, natural gas hot water heater, city water, city sewer, 12x12 basement - 10-block high. Cable TV, fenced yard. Close to hospital, shopping and schools. New vinyl windows, new roof and 12x14 deck. PRICED BELOW APPRAISED VALUE FOR QUICK SALE! Reduced, \$47,900. CS-565



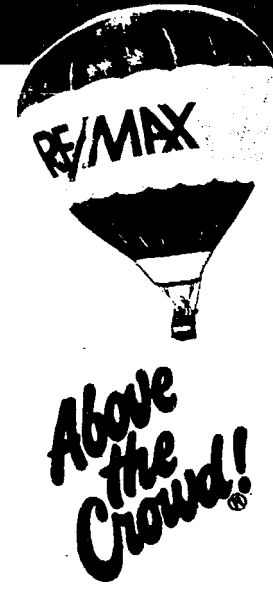
LAKE MARGRETHE 50' sandy beach frontage, full-log, two bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, enclosed porch patio, hardwood floors, fieldstone fireplace, complete with dock, furniture, appliances, rustic knotty pine interior. Reduced to \$99,500. CH-251



LEISURE LIVING This ranch home offers 1,470 sq. ft., gas heat, two bedrooms, two baths, family room with peaked ceilings. Living room offers brick hearth with woodstove, and walkout patio door onto large deck. Kitchen offers lots of cabinets, lazy susan, breakfast bar. Dining room offers bay window, central air throughout. Satellite system with 10' dish. 20x13 barn, two sheds, carport and garden area. \$85,900. CS-587



NEW OFFERING AuSable River Mainstream, Conners Road near McMaster's Bridge. Outstanding views of 385' frontage, custom cedar home featuring 2,305 sq. ft. living area, three bedrooms, two baths (antique bath fixtures), knotty pine T&G vaulted ceilings, hardwood floors, screen porch, covered decks, Pella windows, fireplace, Swedish woodburning stove, large dock, very private setting, 2 1/2-car garage, satellite, many quality features. CH-617



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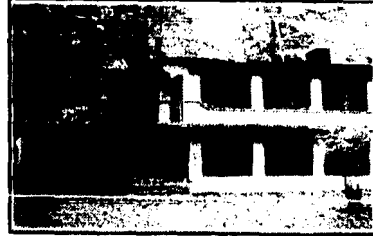
INTERESTED IN OWNING your own northern Michigan bar and grille? Near proposed new golf community. Class C license, patio license, take out, dance permit and Sunday sales. Seating capacity of 80 customers. Equipment and fixtures included. L/C assumption. Price reduced, \$165,000. CH-544



COUNTRY PURE AND SIMPLE This 1,352 sq. ft. home offers gas heat, two bedrooms, one bath. Oak kitchen cabinets with two lazy susans, walk-in pantry, water softener, large living room/dining room combination two bay windows, new 8x12 shed, 28x14 carport. Air conditioning. County-maintained road. \$54,000. CS-666



TEN WOODED ACRES ADJOINING STATE LAND 1,800 sq. ft., three bedrooms, cathedral ceilings with loft, sliding doorwall onto rear deck, brick fireplace in family room, two-car garage with drive-thru doors. Trails throughout property. Beautiful mature tree cover. \$79,900. CH-627



TALKING HOUSE
 180' AUISIBLE RIVER FRONTAGE This beautiful home has approximately 180' of AuSable River frontage and 150' of road frontage, and is a 1 1/2-story with a walk-out basement. Interior has wainscoting, paneling and sheet rock, with Andersen and Acom windows. Kitchen has ceramic tile at entrance, with french doors. Reduced, \$225,000. CS-287

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COMMERCIAL PROPERTY BY OWNER: 1.81 acres, M-72 West. 348-4981.
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AUSABLE COUNTRY ACRES a log home association development. 15 large wooded lots. Park, cable, underground utilities, near AuSable River and Kneff Lake. Contact 517-348-7355, Grayling. -2-9-16-23/1

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1. Real Estate

AUSABLE FOUR-ACRES, TWO building sites, paved road, high ground, big trees, and abundant wildlife. Terms. Hal broker 517-348-5965.
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1. Real Estate

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 -4-11-18-25/2

NEW THREE BEDROOM 1 1/2 bath, two car garage, natural gas heat. Two miles from Grayling, \$85,000. 333 Redwing Terrace, call 348-2928 or 348-8945.
 -11-18-25-2/1

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UNDER CONSTRUCTION New 1,500 sq. ft., 3-bedroom home with 2 baths, garage & basement. Located on 2 1/2 secluded acres with large trees. Lots of extras. You pick carpet colors. \$117,000. (JW/MP-73)



LAKE MARGRETHE Pioneer log home. 3 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths, sauna, 2 garages, observation sun deck, gazebo, over 600' frontage, nice trees & a breathtaking view. \$279,000. Reduced, \$259,900. (LM-933)



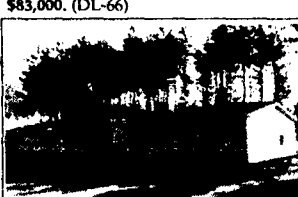
FAMILY HOME on three acres, three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, wood heater, newer carpet, septic, roof and updating. Garage and workshop, lots of room with over 2,100 sq. ft. \$89,000. Reduced, \$83,000. (DL-66)



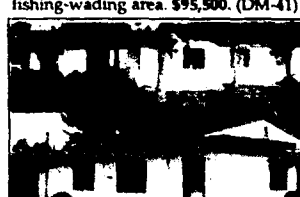
AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM This 1,056 sq. ft. manufactured home has over 200' of frontage, with two bedrooms and two baths, all on 5.1 acres. Includes all appliances, picnic table and canoe. Great fishing-wading area. \$95,500. (DM-41)



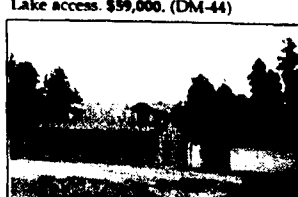
2-BEDROOM YEAR-ROUND HOME on 3 large lots, 900 sq. ft., 2-car garage with 2 attached carports, garden area and all appliances, only 4 years old. Lots of charm and only 1/2 mile from Bear Lake access. \$99,000. (DM-44)



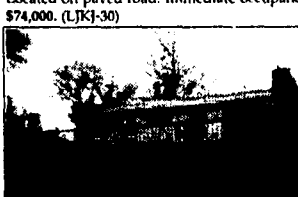
SPACIOUS FIVE-BEDROOM three-bath, newly-remodeled home nestled amongst red pines, situated on 10 acres. Recently developed golf course within three miles from home. Located on paved road. Immediate occupancy. \$74,000. (LJK-30)



COMMERCIAL FRONTAGE on Old-27 North (Business Loop 1-75). Six rental units on 300' frontage. Excellent gross with possibilities for a business and living quarters, and other rental units. Owner financing. \$93,800. (FS-25)



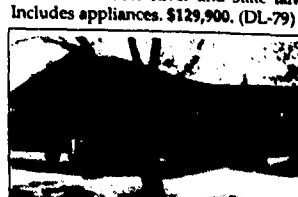
NEW HOME located on 3.5 wooded acres. Offers 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, lots of decking, 30x32 garage with 220 electric. Close to AuSable River and state land. Includes appliances. \$129,900. (DL-79)



CHASE BRIDGE RD. 2-bedroom home, central air, brick fireplace, propane & wood furnace, 2 stoves, refrigerator, washer, dryer & window treatment. 30x40 pole barn, 2 storage buildings, wooded, guest house (trailer home with addition) on 10 acres of landscaped property. \$145,000. Reduced, \$125,000. (MC-524)



NORTHERN CABIN Modern two-bedroom cabin, freshly painted, new carpet, new oak cabinets. Close access to state land, Manistee River, horse and snowmobile trails. \$29,900. (DL-69)



CHARMING & REMODELED this home offers 1,440 sq. ft., three bedrooms, two baths, basement, totally new kitchen, dog pen, two-car garage, and all this sits on 1.2 acres with hundreds of acres of state land right out your door. \$65,800. (DM-43)

2. For Rent

NEED TO RELOCATE. Looking for small rental with washer and electric dryer hookup. Call Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. 616-882-7905. -2/2a

2. For Rent

NICE CLEAN ONE BEDROOM duplex, nice neighbors, lawn care, snow plowing, storage, water. \$315, rental and employment references. 808 A Park. 348-2178. 9/29/97t/2

SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM MOBILE home in the country. Call 275-2100. -2/9/2

HUNTERS GET MORE "bang for your buck". Two bedroom house near state land, party store, AuSable River. Weekend or weekly. Grayling area 517-348-7355. 10/2/97t/2

HOME FOR RENT: Open house this Sunday, 126 Cleveland, just three blocks to Higgins Lake from this quaint two bedroom, one bath home with a fieldstone fireplace, natural gas heat and two car garage. Includes stove, refrigerator and microwave for only \$395 per month. Call Scott, days at 248-299-0400 or evenings 248-656-0918. -2/2

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2. For Rent

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3. Employment

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3. Employment

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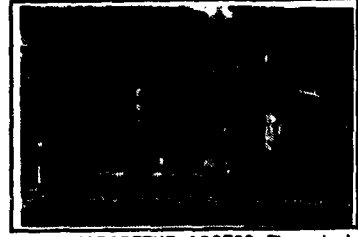
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8. Announcements

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7. Miscellaneous

FOR SALE: TANMAR 2 CYL diesel 18 horse tractor, 3p hitch, 3 speed PTO. \$3000. 517-348-5143. -2-9/7

8. Announcements

FRIENDS & COMPANY COFFEE HOUSE Friday night, October 3rd, poetry night featuring Peter Marcus, open mic. to follow at 7 p.m. -2/8

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9. Personals

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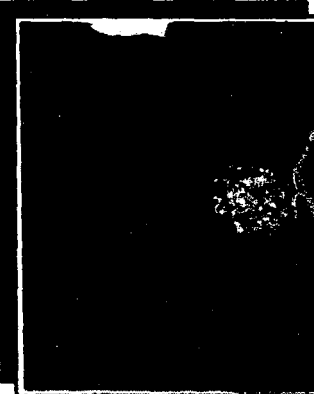
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10. Garage Sales

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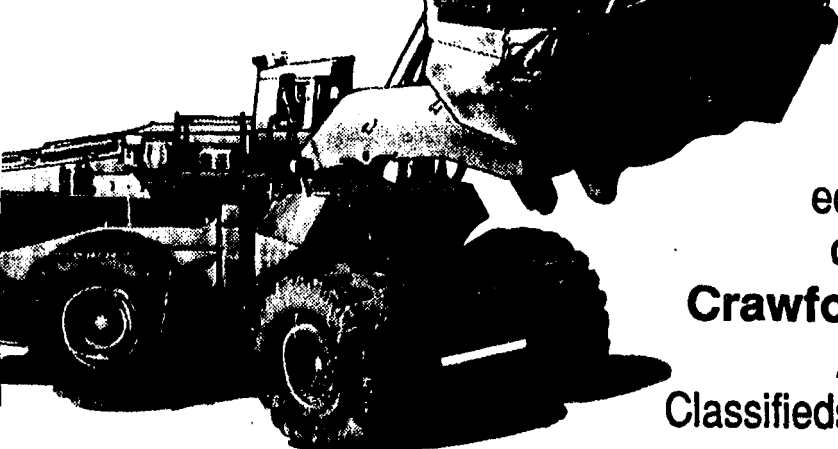
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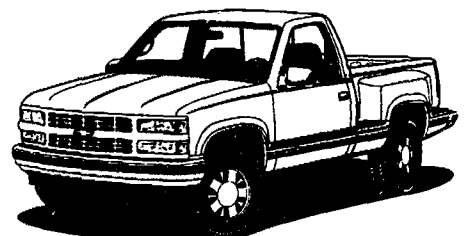
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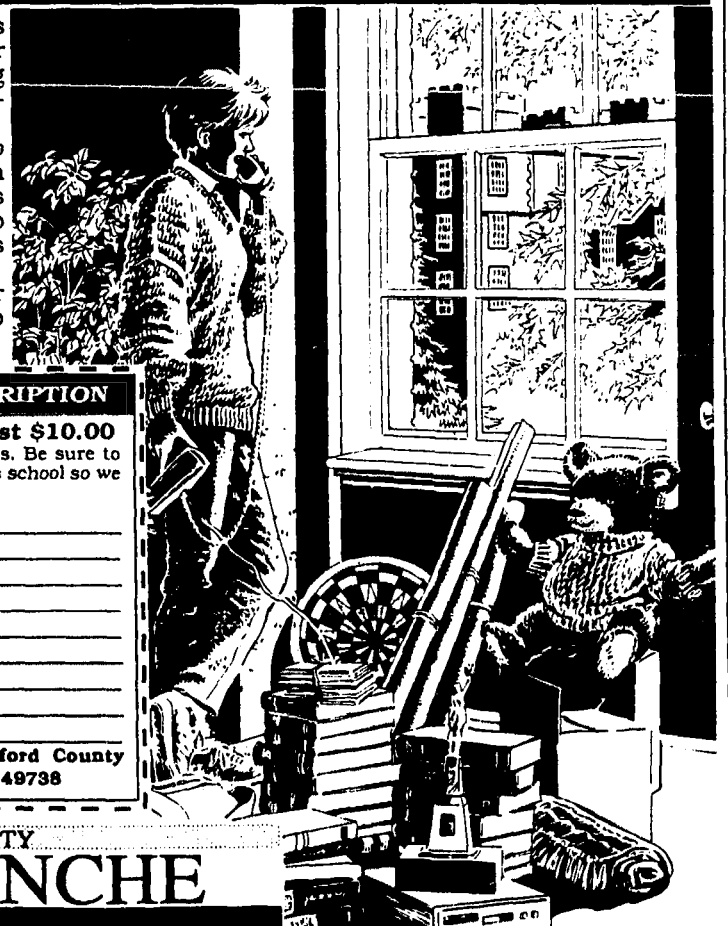
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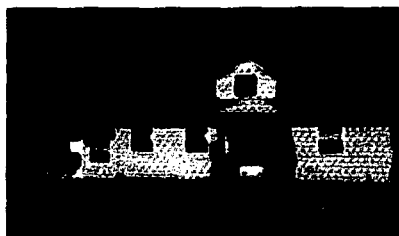
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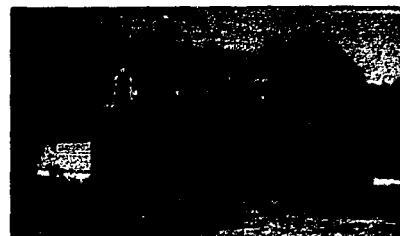


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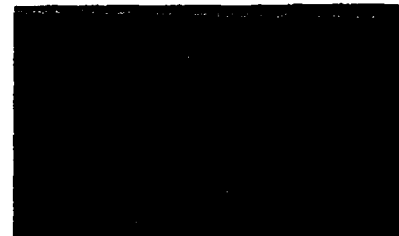
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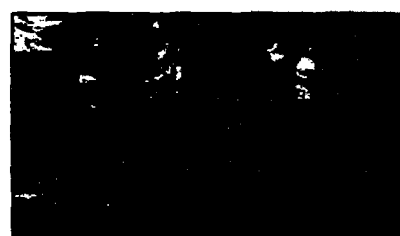
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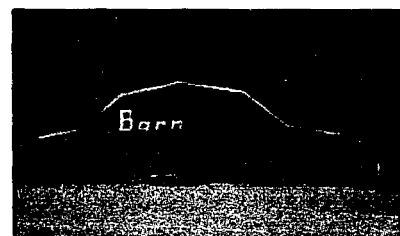
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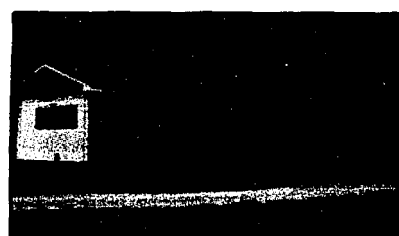
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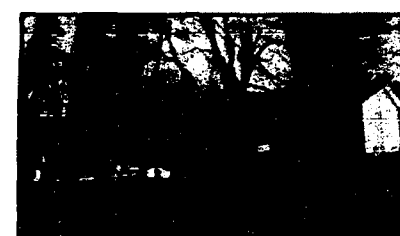
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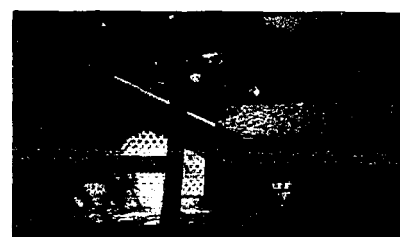
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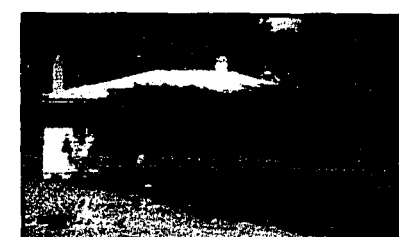
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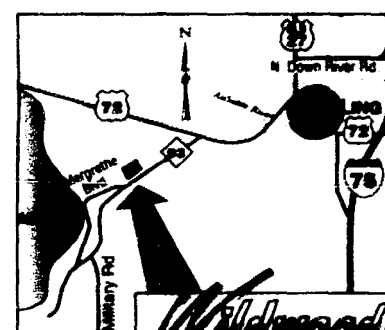
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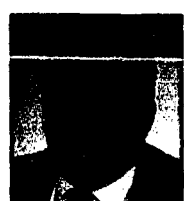
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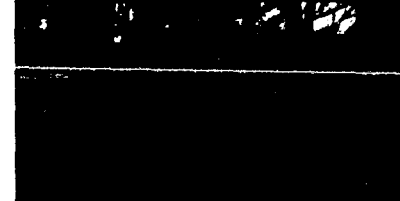
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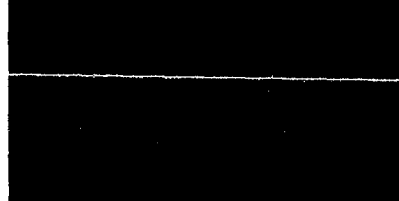
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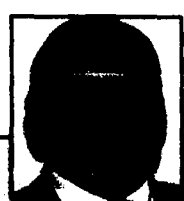
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